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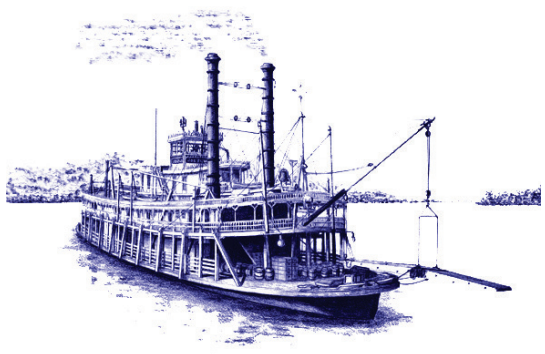

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Damage minimal from Tuesday's storms in Jefferson County

BY BOB DEMAREE

Strong storms passed through the area on Tuesday — making for some scary moments on the eve of the 50th anniversary of Jefferson County's most devastating storms ever — but there was minimal damage.

A tornado sighting was reported in nearby Jennings County, but all damage in Jefferson County was attributed to a severe thunderstorm with no tornado here.

A 5:12 p.m. Jefferson County weather alert stated there was a tornado sighting in Jennings County heading toward the Lancaster and Wirt area. Jefferson County Emergency Management Agency Director Matt True reported minor damage — shingles torn off roofs and siding off barns in various places all over the county — but there has been no confirmation of a tornado on Tuesday in Jefferson County.

Dupont/Lancaster Township Volunteer Fire Department Chief George Canfield said once the storm cleared on Tuesday that firefighters drove throughout that area to Midway and didn't find any significant damage. "I had several guys out in the county — out in the back roads — and didn't find any tree limbs, or nothing down."

True said people have told him they saw a tornado — which is consistent with what the National Weather Service was warning at the time the storm passed through Jefferson County. True spoke with a representative of the National Weather Service on Wednesday and was told that those tracking the storm observed what looked to be a radar-indicated tornado but "no one has evidently seen one touching the ground because if it did, it would have caused damage" that would have been substantial.

"There were a couple of people who were out and about who said it looked like things were rotating to them, but nobody ever saw one come out of the sky, and actually hit the ground," he said.

True said there were no reports of injuries, but based on the severity of the storm hading towards Jefferson County "it could have been a whole lot worse. The how, what and why, it wasn't worse" is hard to explain why that storm didn't cause severe damage.

The tornado "passed over us," True said. "We were not lucky, we're blessed, and I believe that."

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Bob Demaree

Hanover College alumni Elaine Kops-Bedel (left), Sandy Schwartz Freeman (center and Patty Hopkins Lansinger, all members of the Class of 1974, tell their stories of when the tornado hit the Phi Mu Sorority house on April 3, 1974.

Hanover College commemorates devastation, recovery from 1974 tornado

BY BOB DEMAREE

Fifty years after a devastating tornado struck the Hanover College campus the college paused on Wednesday for a remembrance ceremony to commemorate that tragic day.

"It is a mark that is etched into college history. It is something we cannot forget," said Catherine Knott. "With ferocious wind and devastating force, the tornado left an unmistakable imprint on our campus and surrounding areas. And yet through that chaos and turmoil, there did emerge hope — a testament to the unwavering spirit of this place. So, during this time of suffering and disaster, the faculty and staff and students and community members came together, and supported each other."

Knott added, "We remember that strength displayed in the tornado's aftermath as a source of inspiration, something that is a legacy that is part of us today."

At 3:51 p.m. on Wednesday — the same time the tornado struck the Hanover College campus on April 3, 1974 — there was a moment of silence, with the campus center chimes ringing 11 times in memory of the 11 people who died from the storm in Jefferson County.

Bob Demaree

Molly Totten Jones tells of her experience being on the Hanover College campus during the April 3, 1974, where her father, Stan Totten (left), taught and is now a retired Hanover College geology professor.

None of those deaths were at Hanover College, but there was $10 million in damage (equivalent to $62 million in today's dollars) and more than 30 buildings were damaged with two completely destroyed. Trees were lost on the once heavily forested southern side of campus and Happy Valley.

Hanover College President Lake Lambert said the 1974 tornado was a defining moment in the college's history. "It was a moment for many of you the scariest day in your life. For others, it was a threat to the very mission of Hanover College, itself. As we reflect and think about those who were here that the day, the resilience and determination of those who came before us, it gives me great inspiration even in the midst of a great, great tragedy."

Lambert said it's amazing that Hanover College resumed classes just two weeks after the tornado. "The college learned important lessons from this. It taught us the

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BPWS begins dialogue on updating criteria for weather sirens

BY BOB DEMAREE

The need for a more effective severe weather alert system was discussed Monday at Madison's Board of Public Works and Safety meeting.

Madison Police Chief Shawn Scudder proposed changing the standard operating procedures that currently require sirens be activated when there is severe thunderstorm or tornado warnings within 30 miles of Jefferson County.

"I think that is causing problems because people are numb to the sirens. They don't pay attention to them," said Scudder. "I've done it myself."

Scudder explained that on the day of the March 14 tornado "I was at home in my garage. I heard the sirens and I just kept doing what I was doing because they get set off so frequently that people don't pay attention to them."

He said in other communities sirens are utilized only for tornadoes and severe thunderstorms with winds over 75 mph, noting that the criteria for a severe thunderstorm is 58 mph or above. By increasing the threshold to 75 mph, Scudder said the threat is more for severe damage.

"This discussion has been needing to happen for awhile. I think we have conditioned ourselves to not take the sirens seriously because it can be a clear day, but 30 miles away there could be something going on," Madison Mayor Bob Courtney said. "Dispatch gets a weather alert and they're sounding off the sirens and that's not much time. I think it's a great conversation, and I would support it. I would like to build some consensus amongst others — the fire department, 911, EMA (Emergency Management Agency)."

Scudder said when the sirens were installed in the 1980s "there was an average of a five-minutes warning for tornadoes. With the advances in technology, we're at an average of 10 minutes for a tornado warning. So, I think 10 minutes is sufficient for anyone outside to find shelter."

Scudder actually said he thinks the sirens should only be activated for tornadoes but is agreeable to using them for severe thunderstorms if the requirement is set for wind over 75 mph.

"Straight-line winds can be just as destructive as a tornado, and you see straight-line winds a lot of times in the thunderstorms," board member David Carlow noted.

Carlow asked if the city's sirens are capable of multiple warning, suggesting one sound pattern for a tornado, a different sound pattern for thunderstorms, and even a third pattern for a hazardous material situation.

Scudder said he doesn't think that capability exists with the city current sirens, but that he would verify that.

Carlow also asked if the city needs more weather alert sirens. "... I've thought for a long time that we need to study whether more sirens are needed, and whether there is funding available for an upgrade of our sirens, and adding additional sirens throughout our community," he said.

Scudder said he was told by Madison Fire Chief Ken Washer that the current

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A good dog for a good price

CHARLIE **ROHLFING**
CHARLIE'S BEAT

I've often said there is no activity you can do in downtown Madison that can't be made more fun by doing it in a golf cart! So you can imagine my sheer happiness when I spotted a golf cart-mounted hot dog stand plying its trade on Main Street, in front of the gazebo between Greves and McWhiggins.

The cart is owned by Carl "Redneck" Morris, and is appropriately named Redneck Hot Dogs! Carl is a Madison native who left town many years ago to pursue a career, but returned about five years ago when he inherited a home on West Main Street.

"I was enjoying retirement, but also keeping an eye out for something to do with my time," explains Carl. "I've always been a Madison boy at heart, so it really

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Carl "Redneck" Morris and his Redneck Hot Dogs! golf cart stand in downtown Madison.

Charlie Rohlfing

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Work begins next week on Clifty Drive storm sewer, sidewalks

BY THE COURIER STAFF

State Road 62/Clifty Drive eastbound and westbound between Wilson Avenue and Michigan Road will be reduced to one lane beginning on or after after Tuesday, April 9, according to the Indiana Department of Transportation for a long planned storm sewer and sidewalk project.

The work is part of a $12.3 million contract awarded to Dave O'Mara Contractors in November 2023 for storm sewers and sidewalk installation work along Clifty Drive.

The planned lane closures are expected to remain in place until early November, weather permitting. One lane will remain open in both directions along State Road 62, while work is in progress.

"That's a very busy corridor with probably 15,000 cars a day on it," said Mayor Bob Courtney at Monday's Madison Board of Public Works and Safety meeting. "That's a project that's been years in planning" and now it's finally happening.

Meanwhile, State Road 62 near Canaan over Toddy's Branch will closed in two locations beginning Tuesday, April 9, to complete bridge replacement projects in Jefferson County.

Work will take place just east of State Road 250 between North Copeland Ridge Road and North County Road 325 E and is expected to be complete by early August, weather permitting. Crews will begin to place signage in the area prior to the start of construction. During the closures, motorists should use the official detour route which follows State Road 129 and U.S. 421.

These projects are part of a $6.2 million contract awarded to E&B Paving Inc. in February.

Madison Council completes abbreviated agenda as storm threatens

BY MARK CAMPBELL

With severe weather heading toward the community and a National Weather Service tornado warning already issued, Madison City Council held an abbreviated 8-minute meeting on Tuesday to adopt an ordinance related to financing a proposed $1,675,000 solid waste improvement project.

Mayor Bob Courtney started by dispensing with non-essential items on the agenda but advised those in attendance that if the weather conditions dictated, everyone could seek shelter in the basement of Madison City Hall.

With only four of the seven council members present — enough for a quorum — and only a handful of people in the audience, the first and main order of business was the second reading and discussion of an ordinance authorizing the city to issue a revenue note to finance solid waste facilities.

Courtney said the note would be issued through a local bank — negotiations are ongoing — for an amount not to exceed $1,675,000 and an annual interest rate not to exceed 7%.

The loan will finance improvements to the city's solid waste transfer station, upgrades to the garbage trucks Madison operates — including purchase of a new truck and modification of two existing trucks— and acquisition of trash receptacles for each household in the city. The money will be repaid with a recently approved rate increase that will eliminate the existing budget deficit in waste collection and disposal costs and provide a capital improvement fund to finance future equipment needs.

After the meeting, Courtney said the city hopes to move quickly on the project as possible to begin making improvements to the antiquated and dilapidated waste transfer station on Madison's hilltop and prepare the city's trash trucks for a new work flow.

Under the plan approved, trash can tipping will no longer require employees to manually lift and dump containers. Trucks will be outfitted with equipment to lift and dump trash receptacles, but the change will necessitate new trash cans for each residential account and those must be ordered.

Courtney anticipates changing to the new system within about four months once the equipment is upgraded and the receptacles arrive. He said the poly trash cans will include the "City of Madison" on their side and be numbered by household.

In other business, the council heard the second reading of an amendment to the city 's traffic code to make Second Street a 20 mph zone from Harrison Street on the east to the end of Second Street on the west. The change is targeted at reducing speeds on that busy side street and standardizing the speed limit over the 2.5-mile length of the street.

The council immediately suspended its rules to move on to a third reading of the ordinance an adopted the proposal 4-0 with Patrick Thevenow, Joshua Schafer, Jim Bartlett and Josh Wilber affirming. Council member Lucy Dattilo and Joel Storm were absent and council member Carla Krebs attended the meeting remotely but was ineligible to vote since she could not be seen on the video board in the council chambers.

The final business involved the renewal of Riverfront Liquor License applications for three downtown businesses including The Red Pepperoni, Rivertown Grill Inc, and Red Bicycle Hall. Renewals for all three were approved without objection.

The council's next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 16, at 5:30 p.m.

WEATHER

Sunrise: 7:17 a.m.
Sunset: 8:10 p.m.
Temperature: High 44, Low 36, Mean 40.0, Deficit 14.6
Precipitation since last published: 1.07
Precipitation, April 2024: 1.07
Precipitation, 2024: 10.45
Barometer: 29.49, Rising
River Level at Clifty Creek: 436.70, Falling
Forecast: Saturday: Mostly sunny High 56/Low 34; Sunday: Evening showers High 59/Low 48; Monday: Partly cloudy High 72/Low 53; Tuesday: Showers High 66/Low 53.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Editor's Note: Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

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April 5
Kerry Dougan
Eric Stull
Sheila Pratt
Frances Smith
April 6
Julie Berry
April 11
Ben Flint
April 12
Teresa Anderson

ANNIVERSARIES
None

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IINDIANA
Hoosier Lotto: 2-19-24-26-39-44 (4/3). Next Estimated Jackpot: $8.8 million. Next Drawing (4/6).
Cash Five: 3-4-13-15-29 (4/3)
Cash 4 Life: 19-29-37-47-51 CB: 4 (4/3)

KENTUCKY
Cash Ball: 4-10-1-26 CB 8 (4/3)
Kentucky 5 Extra: 12-14-19-28-38 (4/3)
Lucky For Life: 30-36-41-42-45 LB: 15 (4/3)

MEGAMILLIONS
10-50-56-60-66 MB: 19, MP 3 (4/2). Next Jackpot: $67 million. Next Drawing (4/5)

POWERBALL
11-38-41-62-65 PB: 15, PP 3 (4/3). Next Estimated Jackpot: $1.23 billion. Next Drawing (4/6)

POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY
10-44-53-60-63 PB: 13 (3/3). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to $10 million. Next Drawing (4/6)

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Monday fire causes interior damage to home in Lancaster Township

BY THE COURIER STAFF

A house in the vicinity of County Road 900 West and County Road 900 North in Lancaster Township was damaged by a fire on Monday.

The fire, reported at approximately 3:30 p.m. on Monday, was discovered by a passerby who saw smoke coming from the house. No one was home at the time of the fire, but there were four dogs that safely got out of the house.

Dupont/Lancaster Township Volunteer Fire Department Chief George Canfield said there was heavy smoke coming from the house when firefighters arrived. "We were able to open the front door and the fire was right at the front door" near the television" and firefighters were able "to knock that down quick," Canfield said.

However, the fire had also spread into the attic and was smoldering in the insulation in the furnace duct. "Once we found that out, we were able to pull it out, and we got it contained quickly, Canfield added.

Damage was contained to the ceiling and wall involved in the fire along with smoke damage.

Canfield said firefighters were on scene for two hours. Once the main fire was out, they dealt with hot spots in the attic and most likely avoided damage to the roof.

Madison Township Volunteer Fire Department assisted on the call

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER

LODGINGS
April 1, 2024

Michael L. West, 42, Louisville, for Theft, a Class A misdemeeanor and on an out of state hold for Kentucky. Bond $500 cash.

April 3, 2024

Marcus Denton Box, 31, Madison, for Resisting Law Enforcement, a Level 2 felony; Possession of Methamphetamine, Criminal Trespass and Possession of a Syringe, all Level 6 felonies; and Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. No bond.

Lafayette Anwan Brown, 38, Madison, on a parole hold warrant. No bond.

Shawn Lamont Humes, 32, Versailles, Indiana, on a Jefferson County body attachment warrant. Bond $981.90 cash.

Lisa Marie, 48, Madison, on Jefferson County warrants for failure to appear. Bond $2,500 cash.

DOG

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felt good to be back in town. Then I happened on an opportunity to buy a hot dog cart two years ago and thought, what the heck, that looks like fun.

"We did the first year out of the cart, which we pulled behind a vehicle, but then last year I was down in Florida and saw this hot dog stand mounted on a golf cart. That just seemed like a natural for downtown Madison, with the great golf cart culture we have here.

"I worked with a golf cart customizer to get it just the way I wanted it, and I'm very happy how it turned out. We just drive it to our spot, put out some orange cones, and we're open for business.

"Speaking of our spot, this is our second year in front of the gazebo on West Main, just across from the Comfort Station. It gets a lot of foot traffic, and all the people coming and going from the city parking lot right there really helps us. The city of Madison has been great, with the permits and making it easy to do business.

"From what I've seen, I think Mayor Bob (Courtney) is really making a difference in the town, changing it for the better. Bringing in the golf carts is just one example, and all the beautification along the streets. It's so much better than when I was a kid."

Talking to Carl during the lunch rush was kind of a fun challenge. I'd ask a question or two, then we'd have to stop while he served a dog or two. And I started to get the distinct impression that the hot dog cart isn't just a business proposition for Carl. It's something much more.

"Well, to start with, I just really love to cook," explains Carl. "So it makes me happy just being out here preparing food for people. The other thing that motivates me is the opportunity to give people good food at a price that's as low as possible. I'm not out here trying to charge as much as I can. In some ways, I guess you could say I'm charging as little as I can.

"And we take great pride in the quality of our food. Every dog we sell is 100% beef. If I read the label and I can't pronounce any of the ingredients, I don't want that stuff in there!

"We have regular size dogs and a big quarter pounder that I'm especially proud of. It took quite a bit of searching to source the quarter pounders and the taste is amazing. We boil the dogs in the classic style, which I think preserves all the flavor, better than grilling.

"This is our first weekend out this year, and we are so excited for the coming summer season. I can promise good dogs at a good price, and I can't wait for people to try them, they are so good!"

Redneck Hot Dogs are available with all the classic fixing and condiments, including chili sauce, sauerkraut, cheese, onions, and of course catsup, relish and mustard. Carl plans to be at his spot every weekend as weather permits, so head on down to West Main and grab a tasty dog.

HOT TIP OF THE WEEK

The show at Rivertown Grill on Wednesday jumps out at me to start with. Rusty Bladen is a true homegrown talent, and it's rare we get to see him on such a close and intimate stage on a weeknight. I know I'll be there! Friday I'm looking at the classical performance at Trinity Methodist Church at 7 p.m. If you've never heard the acoustics in that historic church when great music is played, you are in for a treat. The show is free, but get there early, these shows tend to fill up. Saturday is just a good old night of music in downtown Madison, with shows at four venues, all within easy walking distance. And then Sunday … ah Sunday! I am so looking forward to seeing King Bee & the Stingers at Red Bicycle Hall. I caught their show at MadHop last fall and I was blown away. If you decide to come, keep in mind it starts a little earlier than usual, at 7 p.m., and you will need tickets, at MadTixEvents.com. See you there!

Charlie Rohlfing is a retired advertising man and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.

THIS WEEK IN MUSIC

Wednesday, April 3
The Central — Jam w/Jimmy
Rivertown Grill — Rusty Bladen

Thursday, April 4
Rivertown Grill — Karaoke
1st Street Saloon — Open Mic w/Dewey & Friends

Friday, April 5
The Central — Crossfire
VFW — L&L Karaoke
Off Broadway Taproom — Jordan Wilson
Trinity Methodist — Isaac Boone & Nathan Canfield (7 p.m.)
Rivertown Grill — Matt Red Moore
1st Street Saloon — No Name Band

Saturday, April 6
Fairgrounds — For the love of Bluegrass (& Gospel & Country) (2 p.m.)
The Central — Ragtop
VFW — Legacy Band
1st Street Saloon — L&L Karaoke
Rivertown Grill — Bon DC (AC/DC)
Red Bicycle Hall — Joe's Truck Stop
Off Broadway Taproom — Joe & Deano

Sunday, April 7
Rivertown Grill — Anthony Goe Highley
Riverboat Inn — Joe & Deano
Red Bicycle Hall — King Bee & the Stingers

Forecasters had clues of pending Super Outbreak from storm 2 days earlier

Weather expert Forbes provides insights at Hanover College

BY BOB DEMAREE

Two days before the tornado that hit Jefferson County on April 3, 1974 — part of a massive Super Outbreak of 148 tornadoes in 13 states — there was a smaller outbreak with tornadoes striking in Kentucky, Tennessee and Alabama.

Dr. Greg Forbes, known as The Weather Channel's severe weather authority, said the April 1 storms were a harbinger of worst things to come.

Forbes visited Hanover College's campus on Wednesday — a campus devastated by the 1974 tornado — for a special campus presentation providing his insights into the 1974 Super Outbreak of April 3-4.

Bob Demaree

With photos in the background of the destruction on Hanover College's campus from the April 3, 1974, weather expert Dr. Greg Forbes had a special presentation Wednesday on the 50th anniversary of the event.

Now retired, Forbes said the outbreak on April 1, 1974, provided an indication that even a worst outbreak was coming. In this area, the April 1 tornado severely damaged Campbellsburg, Kentucky, where more than 40 homes and businesses were damaged or destroyed and one elderly man died.

Forbes said the April 1 tornado outbreak "was a pretty respective outbreak in its own right" and from that "the crude computer models at the time were predicting ingredients coming together on April 3 that would be a lot more favorable for a tornado outbreak than they even had on April 1."

Because of that, he said the National Weather Service (NWS) took unprecedented action after the April 1 tornadoes, contacting NWS offices throughout the nation urging everyone to be ready. "If you need to do maintenance on your radars, take your radars down on April 2 because there is going to be a tornado outbreak on April 3, and you're going to need them," he recalled.

"It was obvious enough, even with the crude computer forecasts at the time that April 3 was going to be an outbreak. The question is, how big of an expanse," he said, noting conditions already looked favorable for a tornado from Tennessee and south of that, but there was uncertainty as to how far north the storm would extend into the Midwest.

Forbes said there were cool temperatures north of the warm front, and then that "warm front leapfrogged up to the southern edge of the Great Lakes, and everywhere it passed, the warm air came in, and that set the stage for a big outbreak, even affecting a bigger area."

The result was a sequence of tornadoes on April 3, 1974, produced by the same thunderstorm, including 106 of tornadoes produced by 33 tornado families, said Forbes. He added that 72% of the tornadoes were "from a much more limited number of thunderstorms that went on for hours that produced one tornado after another" with 15 in progress at once and more than 300 warnings issued.

Forbes said lessons were learned from the tornadoes including the most prevalent cause of fatal injuries in such storms. He said they talked to the coroner in Brandenburg, Kentucky, where 31 people died, and most of those who died had head injuries. After that, he provided the advice to keep a helmet nearby. "Maybe it will save your life. The head injuries tend to be the deadly ones," Forbes said.

Bob Demaree

Elaine Kops-Bedel, chair of the Hanover Board of Trustees, talks about her experiences during the April 3, 1974, holding a photograph of her Phi Mu Sorority house that received severe damage.

HANOVER

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significance of being prepared, something that's ingrained in our institutional culture. It speaks our having a strong community, something we still celebrate today, and perhaps most valuable, being able to adapt and to be flexible. We have incorporated these lessons into our institutional ideology which has made us better able to face challenges that have come since then."

He said despite the storm's devastation on that day, the college "emerged stronger and more united, with shared purpose and determination in moving forward" based on the inspiration of those who weathered the storm.

"We stand in awe of the resilience of those who were here, those who overcame the challenges of 1974, and set a pattern for us to follow in the years to come," Lambert said, adding that as Hanover College approaches its Bicentennial in 2027 and reflects on its nearly 200 years, "we can be inspired by that resilience that propels us forward."

Several of the students and faculty who were on the campus during the tornado in 1974 attended the ceremony and provide their reflections from that day and its aftermath including Elaine Kops-Bedel, chair of the Hanover Board of Trustees, Sandy Schwartz Freeman, Patty Hopkins Lansinger, Linda Hobbs LaCour, Bruce Breeden, Stan Totten, Molly Totten Jones and others.

Bob Demaree

Patty Hopkins Lansinger (left) and Sandy Schwartz Freeman reflect on the April 3, 1974 tornado during a commemorative event on Wednesday afternoon.

DAMAGE

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Elsewhere, the National Weather Service on Thursday morning confirmed that an EF-1 tornado with speeds of 100 mph caused damage in Clark County. True said he spent time in Clark County on Wednesday providing assistance to those in need.

In addition, a EF-1 tornado with speeds of at least 110 mph was reported for Henry County, Kentucky, and an EF-1 of 105 mph caused damage in Oldham and Jefferson counties in Kentucky.

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sirens were installed in the 1980s through a grant to the city fire department, but there is "no opposition to adding more sirens if we need them" if funding is available.

"This is a good conversation to have, which is do you pull back or do you add and change," said Courtney. "There are a lot of options. It's worth the dialogue so we do it right."

Scudder said if changes do come about with how the weather sirens are utilized, "we need to push that (information) out to the community so everybody knows those are the circumstances when we will set those off."

"I totally agree. We need to open up the discussion and come up with a solution," Carlow said.

Courtney asked Scudder to report back at the next Board of Public Works and Safety meeting on Monday, April 15, to further address a plan for the city's weather sirens.

MADISON PERFORMING ARTS FOUNDATION *PRESENTS*

Isaac "Spike" Boone

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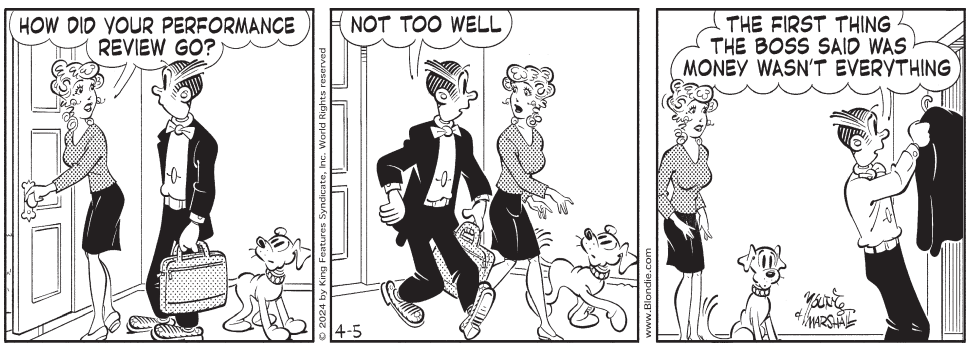
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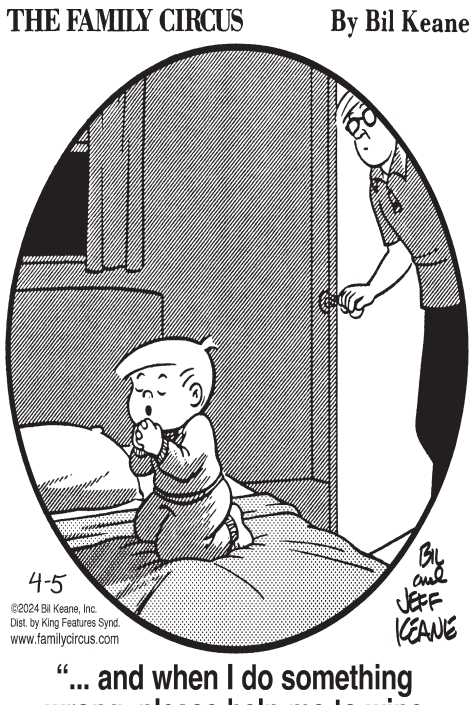

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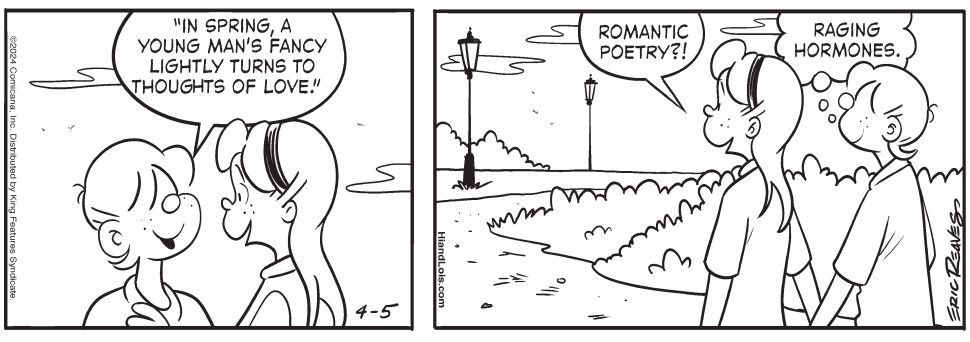
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"IN SPRING, A YOUNG MAN'S FANCY LIGHTLY TURNS TO THOUGHTS OF LOVE."
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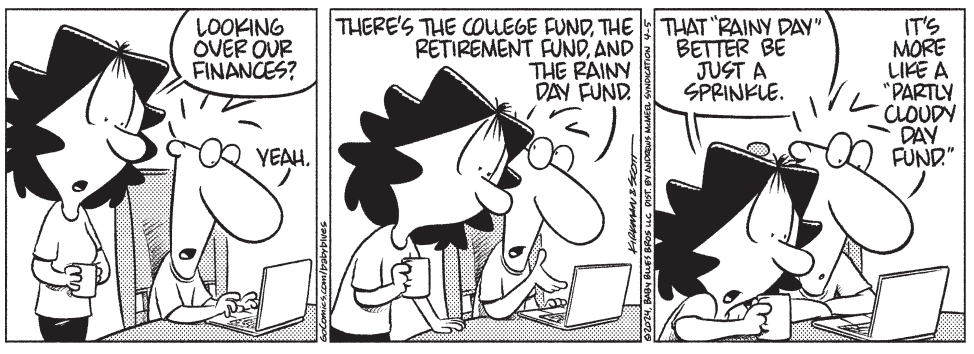
LOOKING OVER OUR FINANCES?
YEAH.
THERE'S THE COLLEGE FUND, THE RETIREMENT FUND, AND THE RAINY DAY FUND.
THAT "RAINY DAY" BETTER BE JUST A SPRINKLE.
IT'S MORE LIKE A "PARTLY CLOUDY DAY FUND."
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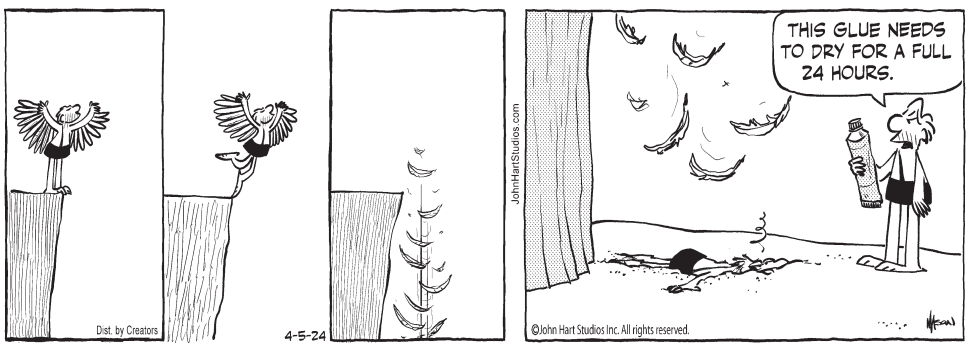
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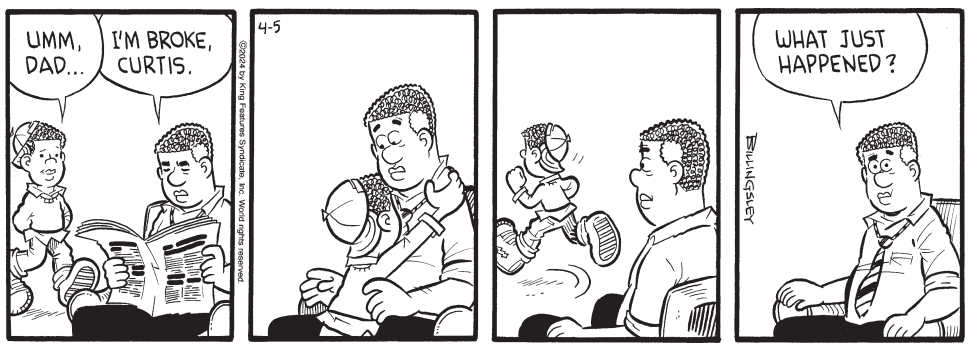

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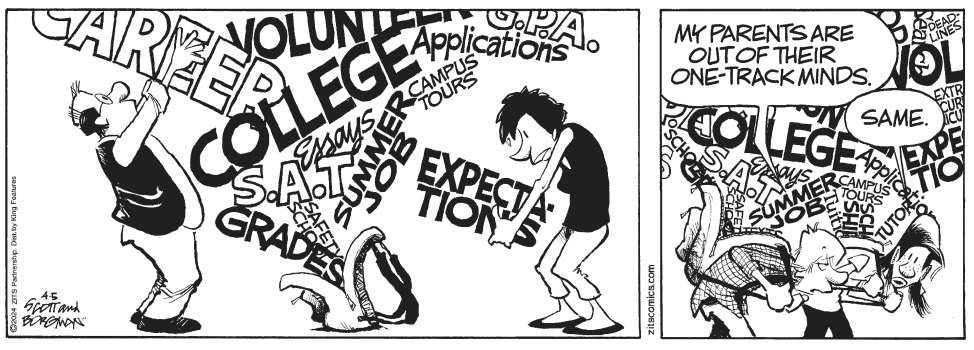

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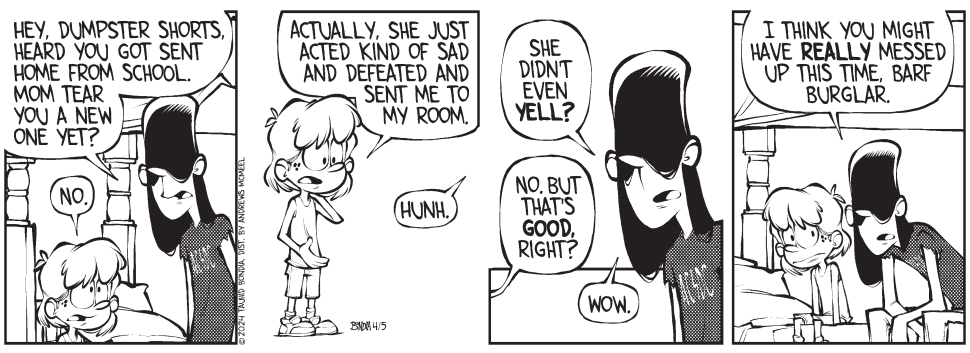
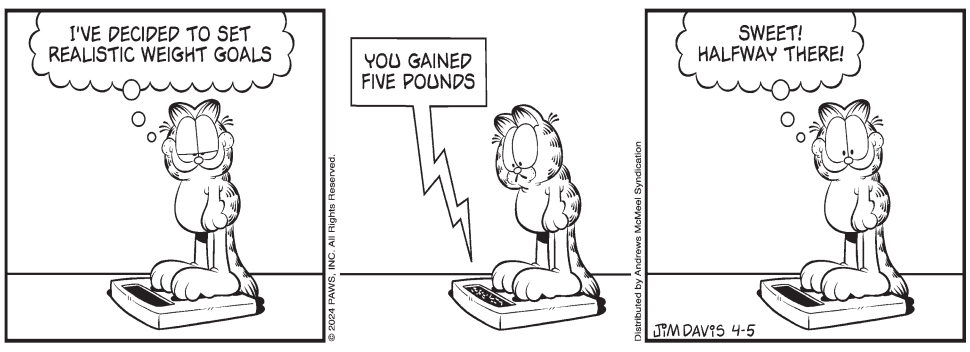

HEY, DUMPSTER SHORTS, HEARD YOU GOT SENT HOME FROM SCHOOL. MOM TEAR YOU A NEW ONE YET?
NO.
ACTUALLY, SHE JUST ACTED KIND OF SAD AND DEFEATED AND SENT ME TO MY ROOM.
HUNH.
SHE DIDN'T EVEN YELL?
NO. BUT THAT'S GOOD, RIGHT?
WOW.
I THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE REALLY MESSED UP THIS TIME, BARF BURGLAR.

GARFIELD


I'VE DECIDED TO SET REALISTIC WEIGHT GOALS
YOU GAINED FIVE POUNDS
SWEET! HALFWAY THERE!
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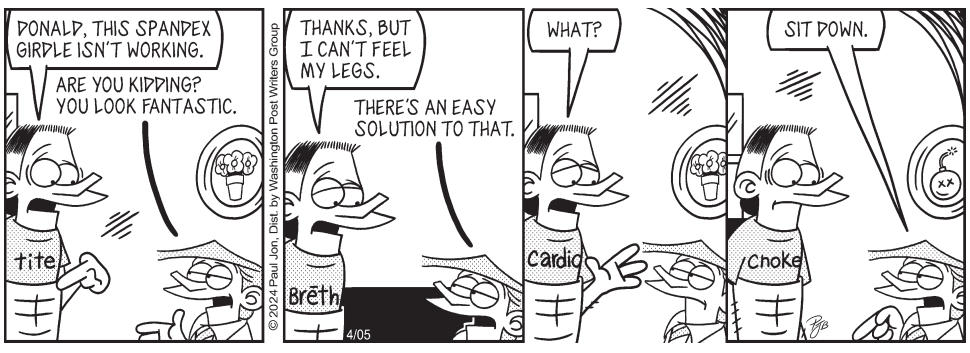

PICKLES

I THINK A PENCIL SHARPENER IS A CRUDE WAY TO SHARPEN A PENCIL.
I LIKE USING A KNIFE. IT ALLOWS YOU TO CONTROL THE SHAPE AND LENGTH OF THE PENCIL POINT.
WHAT ABOUT ALL OF THE MESS?
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WHOO!
WHAT MESS?
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 5, 1951, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were sentenced to death following their conviction in New York on charges of conspiring to commit espionage for the Soviet Union.

On this date:

In 1614, Indian Chief Powhatan's daughter Pocahontas married Englishman John Rolfe, a widower, in the Virginia Colony.

In 1621, the Mayflower sailed from Plymouth Colony in present-day Massachusetts on a monthlong return trip to England.

In 1764, Britain's Parliament passed The American Revenue Act of 1764, also known as the Sugar Act.

In 1887, in Tuscumbia, Alabama, teacher Anne Sullivan achieved a breakthrough as her 6-year-old deaf-blind pupil, Helen Keller, learned the meaning of the word "water" as spelled out in the Manual Alphabet.

In 1976, reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes died in Houston at age 70.

In 1986, two American servicemen and a Turkish woman were killed in the bombing of a West Berlin discotheque, an incident that prompted a U.S. air raid on Libya more than a week later.

In 1987, Fox Broadcasting Co. made its prime-time TV debut by airing the situation comedy "Married with Children" followed by "The Tracey Ullman Show," then repeating both premiere episodes two more times in the same evening.

In 1991, former Sen. John Tower, R-Texas, his daughter Marian and 21 other people were killed in a commuter plane crash near Brunswick, Georgia.

In 2008, actor Charlton Heston, big-screen hero and later leader of the National Rifle Association, died in Beverly Hills, California, at age 84.

In 2010, an explosion at the Upper Big Branch mine near Charleston, West Virginia, killed 29 workers. In a televised rescue, 115 Chinese coal miners were freed after spending eight days trapped in a flooded mine, surviving an accident that had killed 38.

In 2016, UConn won an unprecedented fourth straight women's national championship, capping another perfect season by routing Syracuse 82-51.

In 2018, in his first public comments about Stormy Daniels, President Donald Trump said he didn't know about the $130,000 payment his personal attorney Michael Cohen had made to the porn actress who alleged she had an affair with Trump.

In 2019, inspecting a refurbished section of fencing at the Mexican border in California, President Donald Trump declared that "our country is full," and that illegal crossings must be stopped.

In 2021, the Minneapolis police chief testified that former officer Derek Chauvin had violated departmental policy in pressing his knee against George Floyd's neck and keeping Floyd down after he had stopped breathing; the testimony came on the sixth day of Chauvin's murder trial. (Chauvin would be convicted of murder and manslaughter.)

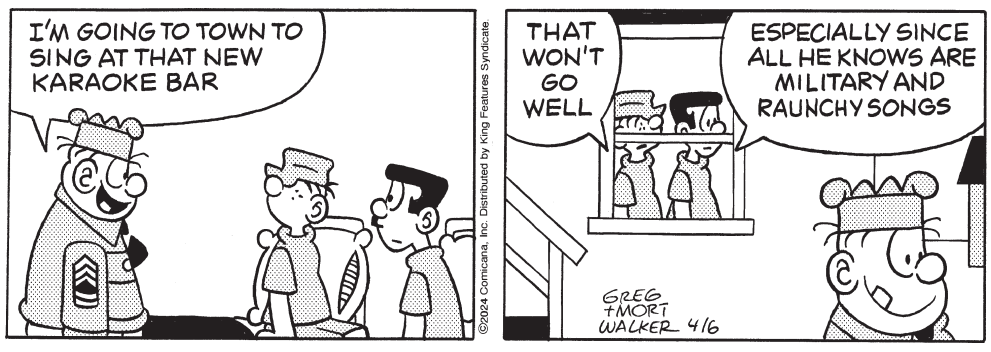
In 2022, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy accused Russian troops of gruesome atrocities in Ukraine and told the U.N. Security Council that those responsible should immediately be brought up on war crimes charges in front of a tribunal like the one set up at Nuremberg after World War II.

In 2023, Democrat Robert F. Kennedy Jr., an anti-vaccine activist and scion of one of the country's most famous political families, announced he was running for president.

Today's Birthdays:

Movie producer Roger Corman is 98. Country singer Tommy Cash is 84. Actor Michael Moriarty is 83. Pop singer Allan Clarke (The Hollies) is 82. Writer-director Peter Greenaway is 82. Actor Max Gail is 81. Actor Jane Asher is 78. Singer Agnetha Faltskog (ABBA) is 74. Actor Mitch Pileggi is 72. Singer-songwriter Peter Case is 70. Hip-hop artist/actor Christopher "Kid" Reid is 60. Rock musician Mike McCready (Pearl Jam) is 58. Singer Paula Cole is 56. Actor Krista Allen is 53. Actor Victoria Hamilton is 53. Country singer Pat Green is 52. Rapper-producer Pharrell Williams is 51. Rapper/producer Juicy J is 49. Actor Sterling K. Brown is 48. Country singer-musician Mike Eli (The Eli Young Band) is 43. Actor Hayley Atwell is 42. Actor Lily James is 35.

BEETLE BAILEY


I'M GOING TO TOWN TO SING AT THAT NEW KARAOKE BAR
THAT WON'T GO WELL
ESPECIALLY SINCE ALL HE KNOWS ARE MILITARY AND RAUNCHY SONGS
GREG + MORT WALKER 4/6
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BLONDIE

DO YOU THINK MY TEAM OR YOUR TEAM WILL WIN?
WHAT'S IT MATTER? IT'S JUST A GAME, RIGHT?
WHAT?! WHAT KIND OF PLAY WAS THAT?! HE LOST US THREE POINTS!!
I THOUGHT IT WAS JUST A GAME
IT WAS, UNTIL MY TEAM STARTED LOSING!
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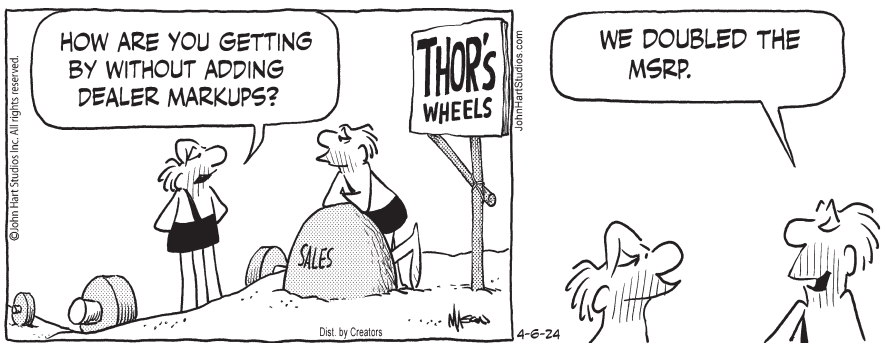

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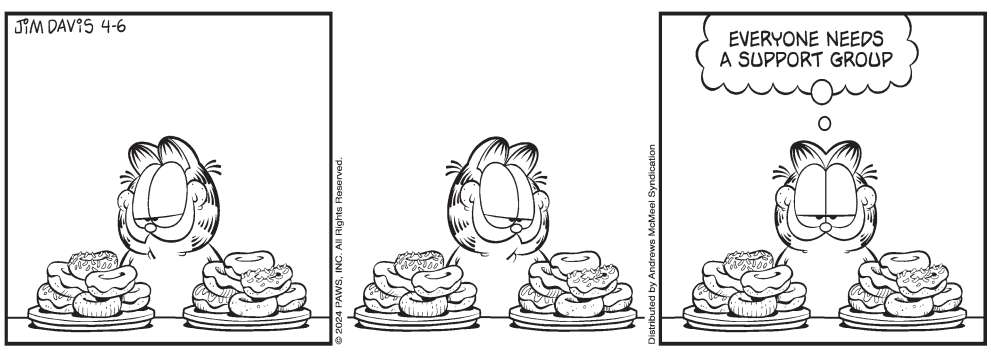

CRABGRASS

YOU READY TO TALK ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED AT SCHOOL TODAY?
OH, I KNOW THE DRILL.
I'M GROUNDED. PROBABLY THROUGH THE WEEKEND. NO SWEETS, NO TV AND NOT SO MUCH AS A PEEP OUT OF ME FOR THE REST OF THE DAY.
THAT.
IS NOT THE DRILL.
SO, DO I DO MY PUNISHMENT HERE? WITH ALL THE TOYS AND STUFF?
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GARFIELD

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EVERYONE NEEDS A SUPPORT GROUP
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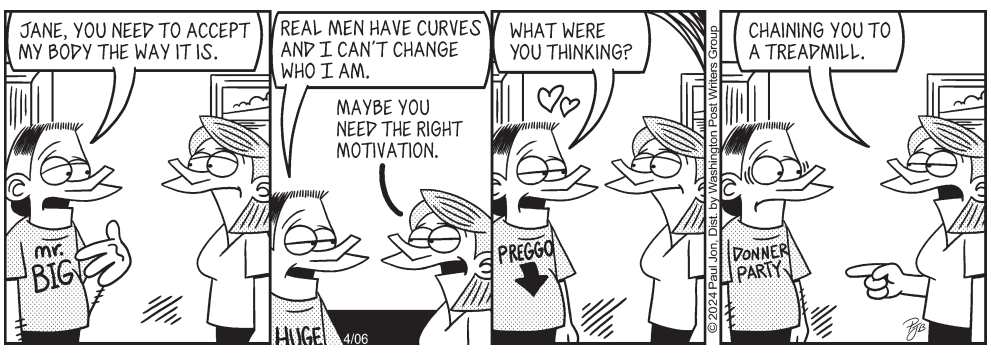
JANE, YOU NEED TO ACCEPT MY BODY THE WAY IT IS.
REAL MEN HAVE CURVES AND I CAN'T CHANGE WHO I AM.
MAYBE YOU NEED THE RIGHT MOTIVATION.
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING?
CHAINING YOU TO A TREADMILL.
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PREGGO
DONNER PARTY
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PICKLES

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, GRAMPA?
I'M JUST BUSY LOOKING BUSY.
WHY ARE YOU LOOKING BUSY?
IF I DON'T LOOK BUSY, GRAMMA FINDS SOMETHING TO MAKE ME BUSY.
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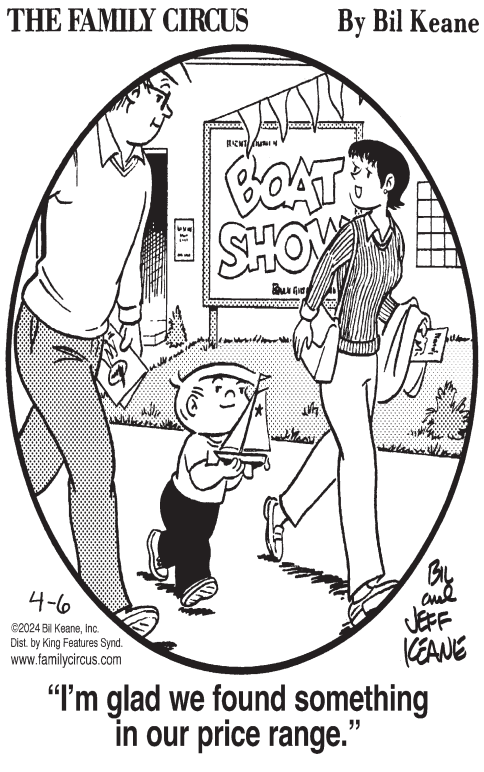

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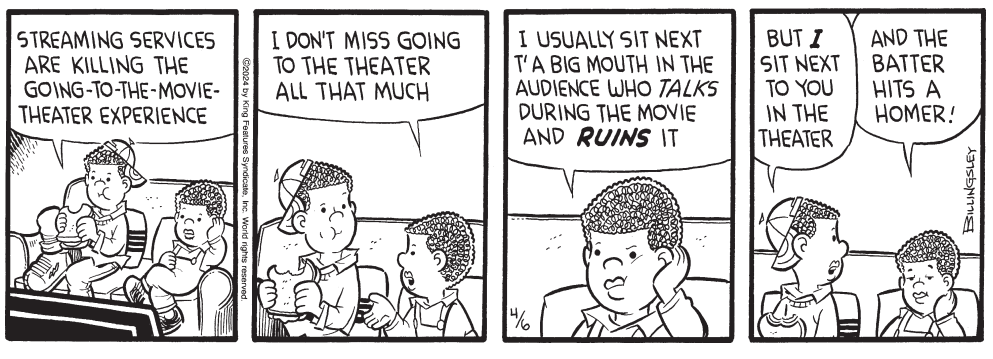
STREAMING SERVICES ARE KILLING THE GOING-TO-THE-MOVIE-THEATER EXPERIENCE
I DON'T MISS GOING TO THE THEATER ALL THAT MUCH
I USUALLY SIT NEXT T' A BIG MOUTH IN THE AUDIENCE WHO TALKS DURING THE MOVIE AND RUINS IT
BUT I SIT NEXT TO YOU IN THE THEATER
AND THE BATTER HITS A HOMER!
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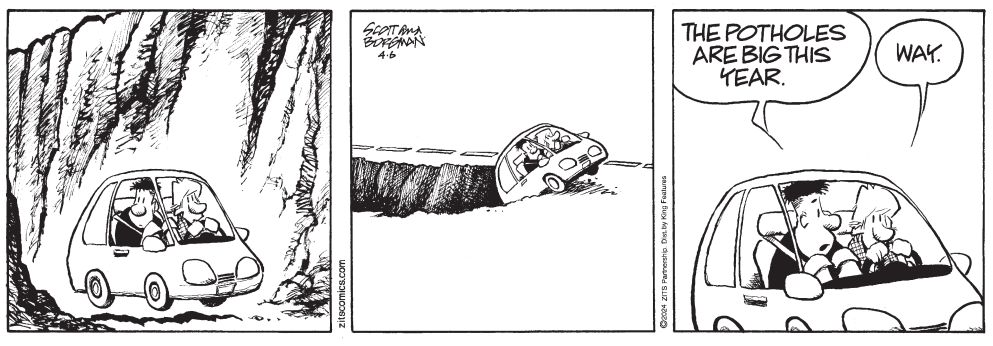

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Today's Highlight in History:

On April 6, 1896, the first modern Olympic games formally opened in Athens, Greece.

On this date:

In 1862, the Civil War Battle of Shiloh began in Tennessee as Confederate forces launched a surprise attack against Union troops, who beat back the Confederates the next day.

In 1864, Louisiana opened a convention in New Orleans to draft a new state constitution, one that called for the abolition of slavery.

In 1909, American explorers Robert E. Peary and Matthew A. Henson and four Inuits became the first men to reach the North Pole.

In 1917, the United States entered World War I as the House joined the Senate in approving a declaration of war against Germany that was then signed by President Woodrow Wilson.

In 1943, "Le Petit Prince" (The Little Prince) by Antoine de Saint-Exupery was first published by Reynal & Hitchcock of New York.

In 1945, during World War II, the Japanese warship Yamato and nine other vessels sailed on a suicide mission to attack the U.S. fleet off Okinawa; the fleet was intercepted the next day.

In 1954, Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, R-Wis., responding to CBS newsman Edward R. Murrow's broadside against him on "See It Now," said in remarks filmed for the program that Murrow had, in the past, "engaged in propaganda for Communist causes."

In 1968, 41 people were killed by two consecutive natural gas explosions at a sporting goods store in downtown Richmond, Indiana.

In 1974, Swedish pop group ABBA won the Eurovision Song Contest held in Brighton, England, with a performance of the song "Waterloo."

In 2008, Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama, speaking at a private fundraiser in San Francisco, spoke of voters in Pennsylvania's Rust Belt communities who "cling to guns or religion" because of bitterness about their economic lot; Democratic rival Hillary Rodham Clinton seized on the comment, calling it "elitist."

In 2012, five Black people were shot, three fatally, in Tulsa, Oklahoma; Jake England and Alvin Watts, who admitted targeting the victims because of race, pleaded guilty to murder, and were sentenced to life in prison without parole.

In 2014, legendary Hollywood actor Mickey Rooney, 93, died in North Hollywood.

In 2017, comedian Don Rickles, known for his biting insults, died in Beverly Hills, California at age 90.

In 2020, British Prime Minister Boris Johnson was transferred to the intensive care unit of a London hospital where he was being treated for COVID-19, after his condition deteriorated.

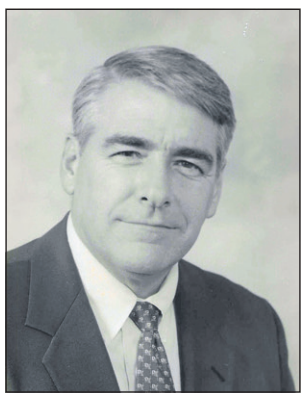
In 2021, Major League Baseball announced that the All-Star Game would be played at Coors Field in Denver; the game had been pulled from Atlanta because of objections to changes in Georgia's voting laws.

In 2022, the mayor of the besieged Ukrainian port city of Mariupol said more than 5,000 civilians had been killed during the invasion by Russian troops. In response, the U.S. and its Western allies moved to impose new sanctions against the Kremlin over what they branded war crimes.

Today's Birthdays: Nobel Prize-winning scientist James D. Watson is 96. Actor Billy Dee Williams is 87. Actor Roy Thinnes is 86. Movie director Barry Levinson is 82. Actor John Ratzenberger is 77. Actor Patrika Darbo is 76. Baseball Hall of Famer Bert Blyleven is 73. Actor Marilu Henner is 72. Olympic bronze medal figure skater Janet Lynn is 71. Actor Michael Rooker is 69. Former U.S. Rep. Michele Bachmann, R-Minn., is 68. Rock musician Warren Haynes is 64. Rock singer-musician Black Francis (The Pixies) is 59. Actor Ari Meyers is 55. Actor Paul Rudd is 55. Actor-producer Jason Hervey is 52. Actor Zach Braff is 49. Actor Joel Garland is 49. Actor Candace Cameron Bure is 48. Actor Teddy Sears is 47. Jazz and R&B musician Robert Glasper is 46. Actor Eliza Coupe is 43. Singer and guitarist Kenneth Pattengale (Milk Carton Kids) is 42. Actor Bret Harrison is 42. Actor Charlie McDermott is 34.

OBITUARIES

Harry Scott Davis (1943 — 2024)



LOUISVILLE, KY — Harry Scott Davis III, 80, died peacefully on February 10, 2024, at his home in Louisville, KY, surrounded by loved ones, after succumbing to pancreatic cancer diagnosed in March 2022.

Scott was born on July 3, 1943, in Queens, New York City, New York, during his family's relocation from Louisville for his father's work with Durkee's Famous Foods. He was the second child and only son of Harry Scott Davis, Jr., of Owenton, KY, and Elizabeth Cravens Davidson of Madison, IN. Scott is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, Dale "Dee Dee" A. Davis; son William D. "Dave" Davis; daughter Kimberly A. Bowman (Randy); grandchildren Jacob S. Davis, Emma Claire Davis, Seth A. Bowman, and Luke L. Bowman; step-grandchild Priscilla R. Bowman; and siblings Mildred D. Bryan, Drusilla D. Shipman, Mary D. Sasse (Michael), and Cathleen D. Beaver (Jim). He is preceded in death by his parents; grandparents Harry Scott Davis Sr., Carolyn "Carrie" L. Bloom, Charles C. Davidson, and Mildred Johnson; sister Elizabeth (Bonnie) Lanier Davis Beaver; daughter-in-law Gretchen Wukasch Davis, and granddaughter Evelyn Ruth Davis. He was baptized in the Presbyterian faith and a member of Louisville's Second Presbyterian Church.

Scott lived his early years in Long Island, NY, before the family returned to Louisville in 1956. He attended Waggener High School (Class of 1961, inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1979) and the University of Louisville (B.S.C., 1965), where he earned a place among Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges, Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Eta Sigma, and Delta Upsilon fraternity. He furthered his education with degrees from Northwestern University, Chicago (M.B.A., 1966), and the University of Louisville's Brandeis School of Law (J.D., 1980).

Scott began his business career in 1966 at one of Louisville's oldest financial institutions, Liberty National Bank (now JPMorgan Chase Bank). During his tenure spanning almost three decades, he held various positions within the Trust & Investment Group (1966-1979) and Treasury Group (1980-1993), including roles as trust officer, Senior Vice President & Manager, Executive Vice President, Chair/CEO of Liberty Investment Services (NASD full-service brokerage), and the Holding Company's Investment Committee. Concurrently, he pursued his legal education, attending law school at night, and was admitted to the Kentucky Bar Association in 1980 (although never practiced). Scott also imparted his knowledge as an instructor at the University of Louisville, McKendree College, Webster College, and Kentucky School of Banking.

Scott was a member of the American Finance Association, Chartered Financial Analyst Society Louisville (past president), Delta Upsilon Fraternity (past president), Delta Upsilon Alumni Association (past president), International Society of Financial Analysts, Louisville Bar Association, Louisville Bar Foundation (fellow), Louisville Boat Club (past president), Louisville Society of Financial Analysts (past president), Kentucky Association of Business Economists, Kentucky Bar Association (senior counselor), and Governor's Kentucky Economic Roundtable.

Scott was committed to serving others and involved over 50+ years with numerous charitable organizations including the Arthritis Foundation of Kentucky (past president, recipient of national volunteer service citation), Center for Nonprofit Excellence (co-founder, past president), Community Foundation of Louisville, Hosparus Health (20+ year volunteer), Indiana State Museum & Historical Sites, Kentucky Foundation for Women, Lanier Mansion Foundation (past president), Louisville Donors Forum (past president), Library Foundation, Louisville Scottish Rite (33rd degree Mason), May W. Jones Foundation, Metro United Way of Louisville, Mildred V. Horn Foundation, Kentucky Bar Association (recipient of the BKD service award), National Center for Family Learning, National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence, and Southeastern Council of Foundations.

Scott was devoted to his family and friends. To Dee Dee, his wife of 58 years, who he loved dearly and often voiced that marrying her was "the best decision I ever made". To his children, a teacher and cheerleader who made time for meets, matches, and recitals. To his grandchildren, affectionately known as Baba. To his mother, a devoted son. To his sisters and their families, countless hours of meals, stories, and laughter together. To his lifelong friends, Walter and John, who he met at age 12 upon return from New York. To his family in Madison, IN, where he visited summers with his grandmother and cousin Boone, swimming and riding motor scooters. To the many friends he made along the path of life, in school, at the bank, church, on the tennis court, and through service.

A memorial service in honor of Scott's life will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 13, 2024, at Second Presbyterian Church (3701 Old Brownsboro Rd, Louisville), followed by a Visitation in Fellowship Hall. A private family burial will take place in Madison, Indiana, at a later date.

In lieu of flowers or expressions of sympathy, the family kindly requests donations to be made to Hosparus Health or the charity of your choice.

John Thomas 'J.T.' Gulley

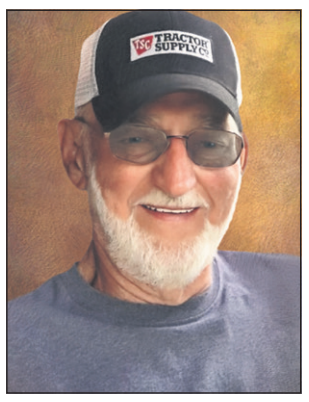
John Thomas "J.T." Gulley, age 63, of Sanders, Kentucky formerly of Madison, entered this life on October 23, 1960 in Hamilton County, Ohio. He was the loving son of the late, John Robert Gulley and Elizabeth May McElfresh Gulley Davis. He was raised by his step dad, Johnny E. "Jake" Davis and his mother in Madison, Indiana. He graduated from Madison Consolidated High School in 1979. He later furthered his education with various classes that he took. He was a certified finish carpenter and upholster. He had worked for Cincinnati Gas and Electric in supervision in Cincinnati, Ohio for 25 years when he retired. He had also worked with Thompson Industrial Services in supervision in Buckner, Kentucky for five years. J.T. was raised in the Christian faith and enjoyed singing Karaoke, especially anything Elvis, was a great story teller, a humanitarian with a big heart, loved to socialize with his sisters and was known to be a great dancer. He had resided the past 15 years in the Sanders community. John passed away at his home in Sanders, Kentucky.

John will be missed by his loving sisters, Dotty Luegering and her husband, Hank of Port Charlotte, FL, Debbie Geisler and her husband, Jeff of Madison, IN, Glenda Sison and her husband, Sonny of Madison, IN, Linda Oberholtzer and her husband, Jon of Madison, IN, May Kahafer and her husband, Steve of New Albany, IN; two his brothers, Jacob McClanahan of Eau Clair, WI, Joe Davis and his wife, Margie of Oklahoma City, OK; his sister in law, Jean Davis of Louisville, KY; his brother in law, Allan Fryman of Maysville, KY; his step daughter, Melissa Mancini of Fallon, NV; his step grandchildren, Devon Mancini and Shirley Mancini; numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, John Robert Gulley; his mother, Elizabeth May McElfresh Gulley Davis; his son, John Robert Gulley; his step dad, Johnny Earl "Jake" Davis; his brothers, Johnny P. Davis, James Davis, Larry Alton McClanahan, and his sister, Sylvia Annetta McClanahan Fryman.

Memorial services will be conducted Saturday, April 6, 2024, at 3 p.m., by Pastor Caleb Brewster at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Springdale Cemetery,600 West Fifth Street in downtown Madison, Indiana. Friends may visit Saturday from 2 — 3 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or the Alzheimer's Association. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

James F. Seel



James F. Seel, age 81, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on May 19, 1942 in Brooksburg, Indiana. He was the loving son of the late Howard F. and Emma Frances O'Neal Seel. He was raised in the Brooksburg community and attended school there. On October 27, 1962 Jim was united in marriage to Mary Helen Waldrop in Vevay, Indiana. This happy union of 61 years was blessed with daughters, Lori and Sheri and a son, Steve. Jim was employed for over 40 years as a welder with Rexnord/Chain-Belt/U.S. Filter in Madison, Indiana retiring at the age of 62. He previously had worked in fuel delivery. Jim loved raising his hunting dog and looked forward to Rabbit and deer season. He loved to take his wife and go to the VFW Post on the weekends to hang out with friends. He loved to fish and looked forward to going home cleaning them and frying them up on the same day. He also enjoyed keeping a pristine lawn and watching the old westerns on television. He was his happiest being outdoors, enjoying nature especially when it was a beautiful warm and sunny day. In the winter time, he liked to cut and split firewood to make sure he had enough in the stove in the garage so his family and friends could enjoy a warm visit. Jim died on Thursday, March 28, 2024, at 6:17 p.m. at the Norton King's Daughters' Hospital in Madison, Indiana.

Jim will be missed by his loving wife of 61 years, Mary Helen Waldrop Seel of Madison, IN; his daughters, Lori Seel Neece of Madison, IN, Sheri Seel McDowell and her husband, George of Mertzon, TX; his son, Steve Seel and his wife, Kelly of Madison, Indiana; his grandchildren, J.D. Seel, Jenna Seel, and Kody Neece; his step grandchildren, Deriek McDowell, Megan Morgan, and Keith Neece, Jr.; six great grandchildren; his sisters, Patsy Stockdale of Hanover, IN, Karen Reed and her husband, Paul of Brooksburg, IN; his sisters in law and brothers in law, Frances Colene Green and her husband, Larry of Madison, IN, Linda Ann Hunt and her husband, Donald of Russellville, AR; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Howard F. Seel; his mother, Emma Frances O'Neal Seel; his brothers, Larry Seel, and Kenneth D. Seel; his brothers in law and sisters in law, Thelma Seel, Mary Seel, Gene Stockdale, and Harold Kenneth Waldrop; his father in law and mother in law, Harold M. "Red" Waldrop, and Colene Mary Money Waldrop.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 4, 2024, at the Grandview Memorial Gardens near Madison. Interment followed in the Grandview Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers can be made to the American Heart Association. Cards are available at the funeral home at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Elizabeth Mae Wilson

Elizabeth Mae Wilson, age 23, of New Albany, Indiana formerly of Hanover entered this life on October 31, 2000 in Scottsburg, Indiana. She was the loving daughter of Gina and Anthony "Tony" Kiel. She and her companion and family members were enjoying spring break in Florida and were involved in a car accident and she tragically passed away at 12:05 a.m. on Saturday March 30, 2024 in Walton County, Florida.

Elizabeth will be missed by her loving parents, Anthony "Tony" and Gina Wilson Kiel of Hanover, IN; her loving companion, Jason Robert Goodin of New Albany, IN; her loving sisters, Stacey McGrail (Joseph) of Tulsa, OK, Haley Caplinger (Josh Johnson) of Deputy, IN, Chelsea Couch (Billy) of Madison, IN, Josey Kiel (Nick Ryne) of Springfield, IL; her loving brothers, Johnathon McCoy-House (Stormi) of Duncan, OK, Phillip Wilson (Alicia) of Harrison, OH, Charles Ives (Jessica Furey) of Hanover, IN, Andrew Wilson of Madison, IN; her loving grandparents, Gene and Nena Wilson of Hanover, IN, Jim and Carol Kiel of Lincoln, IL; several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her aunt, Lora Fleek and her great grandparents.

Funeral services will be conducted on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 11 a.m., by Bro. George Reece at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre — Hanover Chapel, 278 East Main Street Hanover, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Crown Hill Cemetery in New Washington, Indiana.

Friends may visit on Monday, April 8, 2024 from 3 -7 p.m. and Tuesday, April 9, 2024 from 9 a.m. until time of the service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre-Hanover Chapel in Hanover, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Elizabeth Wilson Remembrance Fund for her nieces and nephews. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Ruth Ann McKinney

Ruth Ann McKinney, age 64, passed from this life on Friday March 29, 2024, leaving behind a legacy of love, compassion and a life well lived. Ruth Ann was born July 18, 1959, to Harlen and Minnie Purvis McKinney in New Albany, Indiana.

They leave behind many who will miss and love them including her sister, Linda Manning, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her partner in life, David Lee Sizemore; her sisters: Ella Dailey and JoElen Yopp; and her brother, Larry James McKinney. Although she didn't have kids of her own, her love of family led her to help raise several family members.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, April 5, 2024 at the Lytle Welty Funeral Home and Cremation Service. Visitation will be from noon until the time of the service on Friday. Burial will be in Moffett Cemetery in Milton, Kentucky.

Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences can be made at www.lytlewelty.com.

Charlotte Ann Childs

Charlotte Ann Childs, age 82, known affectionately as Sue to her loved ones, passed away at her home in Carrollton, Kentucky. She was born in St. Charles, Virginia on April 12, 1941.

Sue is survived by her three daughters, Robin Carol Childs, Rhonda Gail Childs, and Rita Ann (Greffrey) Wallace, all residing in Carrollton, KY. Additionally, she is survived by two sons: Billy Ray, Jr. (Robin Ann) of Sanders, KY; and Tracy Lee (Dana) Childs of Milton, KY.

Her legacy continues through her grandchildren: Christie Jones, Courtnee Price, Kevin Bates, Ashi Childs, Justin McIntyre, Bryan McIntyre, and Jonathan McIntyre. Sue's great-grandchildren Taylor Jones, Jayden Jones, Harlee Bates, Dawson Childs, Lottie Price, Beau Price; and Rayleen Bates will carry her memory forward.

Sue was predeceased by her parents Clyde Hanes and Allie Marie Herron Haynes, her husband Billy Ray Childs Sr., sisters Wanda Jean Cowan and Thelma Jonell Randell; and brother Vernon "Buddy" Haynes.

Services to honor and celebrate Sue's life will be held at the Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home on Friday, April 5, 2024, at 1p.m. A visitation will take place on Friday, April 5th from 11 a.m. — 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Burial will take place in the Moffett Cemetery in Milton, KY.

Arrangements have been entrusted with the Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home.

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OBITUARIES

Samuel Keith Tolle Nicholson

Samuel Keith Tolle Nicholson, age 34, of Lexington, Indiana, and the son of Mark Allen Nicholson and Leanna Kay Tolle, was born on June 28, 1989, at the Clark Memorial Hospital in Jeffersonville, Indiana. As a child, he was involved in the Boy Scouts with his mother who served as the Den Mother. Sam was a friend of all animals. In school, the kids called him "Sam, Sam, the Critter Man." He was always picking up animals. Upon graduating in 2008 from Scottsburg High School, he continued to work at LeRoy's Food Mart until 2010, when he became a clerk for the U.S. Census Bureau. After a short time, he began working at American Plastics in Scottsburg, and later at Mitchell Plastics where he formed some great friendships. For the last several years, he has worked for the United States Postal Service in Scottsburg and most recently, in Madison. His nickname has since changed to "Sam, Sam the Postman." No matter where he delivered the mail, he was loved by all the residents and their pets on his route.

He became a friend of all the people he met in his life. He never met a stranger and could converse on all subjects. In his spare time, he loved working on and collecting vintage motorcycles and four-wheelers, and posting videos on YouTube. He was very artistic and had a love for music, especially Nine Inch Nails in which he traveled all over the country with his mom to see live in concert. More than anything, he enjoyed spending time with his son. Sam passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at his residence in Lexington.

His life will be cherished by his son, Wyatt of Lexington; his heartbroken parents: Mark Nicholson and Leanna Tolle Nicholson of Nabb, Indiana; his sister: Michelle L. (Nicholson) Jacks of Columbus, Indiana; the mother of his son, Kira Reep of Scottsburg; his grandfather: Norman "Peanut" K. Tolle of Lexington; his aunt: Norma "Andi" Tolle Martin of Hanover; his nieces, and all the people who loved him dearly. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Noble D. and Nettie E. (Collins) Nicholson, and his maternal grandmother, Daisy M. (Martin) Tolle).

A Celebration of Sam's life will be held this summer. More information will be announced soon.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to Wyatt Nicholson's Education Fund . Contributions may be made at the Lytle Welty Funeral Home or at www.lytlewelty.com.

Mary Ann (nee Molnar) Constantino

Mary Ann (nee Molnar) Constantino, 87, of Cleveland, Ohio, passed away peacefully on Friday, March 29 at River Terrace (Madison, IN) in Hospice Care after falling ill in the Fall.

Mary Ann was born on November 30, 1936 in Cleveland, Ohio to Mary Anna (nee Fodor) and Stephen Molnar.

Preceded in death by her parents, ex-husband, Donald, and youngest daughter, Margaret, she is survived by her children Mary Kay Gesicki (Dale-deceased), Donald (Barbara), Carl (Annette) and Mark (Christa). Beloved Grandmother to Kate Dake (Tom), Steven Gesicki, David Gesicki (Lily); Nick Constantino; Joe Constantino (Shelby), Julie Constantino; Olivia Constantino and Marco Constantino. Great Grandmother of Benjamin Dake, Josephine Dake (deceased), Jackson Dake (deceased), Abigayle Dake and Colton Dake (children of Kate and Tom); Juliette Gesicki and baby boy Gesicki (children of David and Lily); and James Constantino (child of Joe and Shelby).

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Mary Ann Constantino to the North East Ohio, SPCA Shelter, 9555 Brookpark Rd., Parma, OH, 44129 would be appreciated.

A Private Memorial Service and Inurnment at Lakewood Park Cemetery in Rocky River, OH, will be held at a later date.

Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service is in charge of arrangements.Online condolences can be made at www.lytlewelty.com.

Suzanne J. Kantor

Suzanne J. Kantor, age 76, of Madison, Indiana and the daughter of the late Albert M. and Jessie A. (Mazur) Kantor, was born on December 26, 1947, in Chicago, Illinois. Miss Kantor passed away on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at the River Terrace Health Campus in Madison.

Her life will be cherished by her cousin, Paula Plikh and her husband, Paul of San Leandro, California, and other extended family members. She was preceded in death by her parents.

In accordance with her wishes, cremation was chosen and no services will be held.

Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Vail Chapel is in charge of her arrangements. Online condolences can be made at www.lytlewelty.com.

Deanna Kay Jones Goins

Deanna Kay Jones Goins, age 55 of Hanover, Indiana, entered this life on December 9, 1968 in Madison, Indiana. She was the loving daughter of Robert Eugene "Gene" and Janet Ruth Chandler Jones. Dee Dee passed quietly in her sleep after a lovely day spent with her grandsons at the park and visit with her parents and son Alex and his wife Ashley.

Deanna will be missed by her loving parents, Gene and Janet Jones of Madison, IN; her loving sons, Alex Perry and his wife, Ashley of Madison, IN, Reggie Perry and his wife, June of Denver, CO; her adoring grandsons, Mason, Liam, Henry, and Walker; her brother, Mark Jones and his wife, Debbie of Madison, IN; several nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her grandparents.

Memorial Mass celebrated was held Thursday, April 4, 2024, by Father Christopher A. Craig at the St. Patrick Catholic Chapel in Madison.

Friends and family gathered Thursday from 5 — 7 p.m. at the Nor Rose Lodge (Knights of Columbus), 2250 Lanier Drive in Madison immediately following the memorial Mass.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Dee Dee Goins Remembrance Fund. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover or at the church and celebration. Online condolences, memorials and remembrances may be left at www.morgan-nay.com

DEATH NOTICES

Kimberly Ann Garrett, 65, of Carrollton, KY, died Tuesday, April 2, 2024, in Carrollton. Funeral Services will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 6, at Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, with burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Carrollton, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.

Tammy LeShea Moore, 65, of Worthville, KY, died Saturday, March 30, 2024, at her home in Worthville. Graveside service was Thursday, April 4, at Moore-Messer Cemetery in Morehead, KY. Arrangements by Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, KY, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.

Rita K. Smith, 68, of Bedford, KY, died Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at her home. Arrangements will be announced by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

Early voting for Jefferson County primary to begin April 9

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Early in-person voting for the primary election begins Tuesday, April 9, at the Jefferson County Courthouse, 300 East Main St., Madison.

Early voting will continue on weekdays through Friday, May 3, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. There will also be two Saturdays for early voting in the Courthouse — April 27 and May 4 from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. The last chance to vote early at the Courthouse will be Monday, May 6, from 9 a.m.-noon.

Anyone can take advantage of early in-person voting. There does not have to be a reason to cast an early vote. This year's primary election will be Tuesday, May 7, from 6 a.m.-6 p.m.

There will also be satellite voting at the Troy D. Morgan Public Safety Center, 620 Green Road, in Madison, and the Hanover Community Center, 200 Spruce Lane in Hanover.

Voting at the Troy D. Morgan Public Safety Center will be on three Tuesdays — April 16, April 23 and April 30 — and three Thursdays — April 18, April 25 and May 1 — prior to the primary, and at the Hanover Community Center on three Wednesdays — April 17 and 24, and May 1. Satellite voting at both locations will be from 11 a.m.-6 p.m.

Anyone wanting an absentee ballot sent to their home can do so by contacting the voter registration office or by going online to indianavoters.com. The deadline for a voter to submit an ABS Application is April 25. The application can be mailed to 300 E. Main St. Madison, faxed to 812-273-5428 or emailed to elections@jeffersoncounty.in.gov. Contact the voter registration office at 812-265-8926.

In a press release, Jefferson County Clerk Tabatha Eblen stated the Jefferson County Voter Registration Office has received several phone calls regarding party affiliation. An Indiana registered voter is not registered to vote as a Republican or Democrat. All registered voters have the option to pull a Democrat or Republican ballot in the Primary Election no matter what was voted in previous elections.

Southwestern approves electric contract for bus parking lot

BY BOB DEMAREE

With work underway on a new bus parking lot for Southwestern Jefferson County School Corporation, the board on Monday approved contracts for electric lighting that had been tabled in February.

Last month, Sedam Contracting was awarded the contract to build the bus parking lot at a cost of $271,900 and for an extension of 34 spaces to the elementary parking lot for another $62,500.

"There's a lot of construction going on, and they're really moving forward," said Corporation Treasurer Laura Boldery.

Superintendent Jeffrey Bates said the bus parking "is coming along" but he said there is a need for fill dirt. The elementary parking lot extension has the first layer of surface, and still needs a top coat added.

There were two bids for the electric lighting for the bus parking lot — North Electric at $128,220 and Miller Electric at $134,118. The contract was awarded to North Electric.

There were also two bids for the electric lighting for the elementary parking lot extension — North Electric at $52,616 and Miller Electric at $56,904. The contract was awarded to North Electric.

Bids for fencing were tabled until the next meeting. Two bids were received — one from Silver Creek Fencing and another from Blevins Fencing Corporation. Boldery said more review is needed in the specifications of the bids before awarding the contract.

GIVING TODAY TO IMPACT TOMORROW

Read more about one of five endowments recently established by individuals, families, and organizations to make a difference in Jefferson County's future.

ALEX FELTNER MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT

Teresa Waller established this Donor Advised Fund to remember her late son, Alex Feltner. Alex was born in 1993 in Madison and graduated from Shawe Memorial High School in 2012. He was attending Ivy Tech in Bloomington, Indiana. Alex was a steadfast and supportive friend and a loving son. He enjoyed computer gaming, live music, and appreciated art and nature. Each year, Teresa will select the organizations and projects to benefit from the fund's grant dollars, including those that she cares about as well as those that were important to Alex.

Anyone can give to any of our funds, in any amount, at any time.

OTHER NEW FUNDS INCLUDE:

- Canaan Cemetery Endowment Fund
- Jane's Kids Endowment
- Madison Railroad Scholarship in Memory of Robert Griffin
- Meyers - Hoefling Memorial Scholarship Endowment

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OurSIRDA board hears county's READI project proposals

BY BOB DEMAREE

The board of directors of Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority was in Jefferson County on Wednesday to hear proposals for projects for the second round of READI funding.

The meeting was scheduled ahead of next Thursday's Indiana Economic Development Corporation announcement on how $500 million in READI funding will be allocated to Indiana's 15 economic development regions. In the first round of READI funding, OurSIRDA received the maximum $50 million available. This time, the maximum award is $75 million.

Bob Demaree

The Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority board of directors listens to a presentation for the Historic Eleutherian College and its partnership with the Jefferson County Historical Society on a collaboration on underground railroad history. Pictured (from left) are Chris Fordyce, Washington County; Ken Rush, Floyd County; Steve Meyer, Scott County, Dane Huber, board chair from Clark County, and Kevin Kellems, Jefferson County.

Wednesday's visit by the board of directors focused on hearing project proposals from Jefferson County. OurSIRDA visited Floyd and Washington counties last month, Scott County on Thursday of this week and Clark County is scehduled for next Wednesday.

During the visit to Jefferson County, presentations were given by the city of Madison, Jefferson County government, Hanover College, and the Historic Eleutherian College in conjunction with the Jefferson County Historic Society.

Madison Mayor Bob Courtney said the city of Madison's proposals will be an extension of what was done with the city's funding from the first round of READI and will focus on the same pillars — placemaking, economic development and housing.

Madison's placemaking proposals include funding for a permanent amphitheater in Bicentennial Park, illumination for the Milton-Madison bridge, improvements to accommodate riverboats with a specified riverboat landing area, and development of Damon Welch Park in the area previously Jaycee Park.

Tony Steinhardt III, the city's economic development director, said new housing projects include development of the former Madison Coal Company property as 60 to 65 market units and a hilltop housing neighborhood development for mixed incomes and mixed housing.

"We know that housing is a domino effect in a community," Steinhardt said. "You can't just solve it at the bottom, you have to solve it at multiple levels."

The city's economic development projects include repair and replacement of the runway at the Madison Municipal Airport and improvements to the Madison Port Authority transload facility. Courtney said those support using connectivity through the Ohio River, roads, rail and aviation. "Madison is fortunate to have vibrant investment is all four areas," he said.

Steinhardt also noted that flood mitigation is a key component of economic development by executing a plan to take downtown Madison properties out of harm's way of flooding. "We see that as a critical economic development for our downtown," he said.

Commissioner David Bramer presented on a project to build a new Jefferson County Animal Shelter on county-owned property near the new Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center.

The county's other proposal is for a Krueger Lake Campground to be developed at the former Jefferson Proving Ground with a plan to eventually have 184 hookups phased in with 50 spots in the first phase.

Jan Vetrhus, president of the Historic Eleutherian College, the rural school founded by local anti-slavery Baptists in Lancaster to educate blacks and other minorities in the 1850s, was seeking funding for repairs to the building and other properties connected to the college. The project would include the welcome center house and the Lyman Hoyt house where an underground railroad conductor lived — all on the 10 acres owned by the non-profit.

"It's really important to get the story out about the underground railroad in Jefferson County," said John Nyberg, executive director of the Jefferson County Historical Society. "We're one of the most active areas along the Ohio River" with the underground railroad. "There are amazing stories that need to be told" which JCHS wants to partner with the Eleutherian College to help do that.

Hanover College President Lake Lambert presented four projects for funding consideration.

Hanover-Madison connector trail would provide for a trail from Madison to Hanover and Hanover College. Funding is already available that will extend Madison's Heritage Trail to the Clifty Falls State Park south entrance, and once that's completed, the hope is for funding to extend that trail to Hanover.

Kay Stokes, special assistant to the president for Accreditation and External Relations at Hanover College, emphasized the public benefit and connectivity of extending the trail to Hanover.

"You will be able to have kids in town of Hanover ride their bikes to Crystal Beach. You will have Hanover College students be able to access downtown on foot or on bike."

Hanover College proposed the development of Parker Auditorium on the college's campus into a performing arts center. "We have not been able to have public performances in this facility for some time," said Lambert. "It does not have fire safety features. It is not handicap accessible." The ground floor is currently being developed as the college's new Center for Business and Entrepreneurship. In developing the performing arts center, "it would become one of the biggest performing arts spaces in the county. We think it will be a great resource not just for the college but our ability to host visiting and other arts events on our campus," said Lambert. "It fits the intent of the Madison-Jefferson County community to be an arts community."

The college, which is the process of developing a veterinary teaching center, additionally is seeking funding that would allow for expansion to increase the cohort size of the school from 40 students to 100 students.

"To be able to serve more students, create more veterinarians, we need a bigger space, and that's why we're asking for additional support from READI 2.0 to make that possible," said Lambert.

The college is also seeking assistance in development for the town of Hanover for historical preservation, additional space for the town's Community Garden and possible future housing development.

Safety concerns delay PACE approval for dilapidated structure

BY BOB DEMAREE

City Building Inspector Bryan Shaw offered Monday to go through the structure with Jenkins to explain to her issues that pertain to the city's unsafe building code so that Jenkins understands those concerns, and she was agreeable to do that.

Madison's Board of Public Works and Safety (BPWS) has for a second consecutive meeting tabled a grant request approved by the city's PACE Review Committee over safety concerns involving building at 524 Jefferson Street.

The 524 Jefferson Street project is under consideration for a $25,000 dilapidated structure grant but Madison Mayor Bob Courtney emphasized that the unsafe condition of the structure be top priority for the building owned by the non-profit Madison Christian Health and Developmental Services of which Tirrie Jenkins is president.

City Building Inspector Bryan Shaw offered Monday to go through the structure with Jenkins to explain to her issues that pertain to the city's unsafe building code so that Jenkins understands those concerns, and she was agreeable to do that.

Once that's done, a report will be submitted to BPWS concerning the plan to address the unsafe elements of the property. At that time Courtney said BPWS can move forward with its decision on whether to approve the PACE grant. "This board at any time can approve it" since the money has also been earmarked for the project, he said.

Courtney said the property owner has the responsibility "to abate the unsafe elements" and the structure at 524 Jefferson Street has been deemed unsafe for many years, and cited as unsafe since September 2022. He said the abatement of those unsafe elements are separate from PACE. "What we're saying, we want to provide PACE because that will alleviate the financial burden of abating the unsafe structure, and put you on the path of revitalizing that structure." But it all goes back to "that plan for abating the unsafe nature of the structure has to be satisfied," he said.

Jenkins has an application for the property with the Board of Zoning Appeals seeking a conditional use permit for use as a room and boarding house. That application is currently tabled but scheduled to be considered at the BZA meeting on April 8.

In other business, the BPWS:

- Approved an $82,000 contract with Gruber Industries for rehabilitating the east clarifier at the wastewater treatment plant. Clarifiers are settling tanks built with mechanical means for continuous removal of solids being deposited by sedimentation.
- Approved a $7,125 contract with Sunset Cinema LLC to stage five movies for the city's Movie in Park series. The movies will be "Back to the Future" on May 24, "Madison" on July 3, "Wonka" on July 26, "Mary Poppins" on Aug. 23 and "Scoob!" on Oct. 4.
- Approved a $30,000 contract with Zambelli Fireworks for a fireworks show on Saturday, July 6.
- Approved a midpoint PACE award of $12,500 for a $25,000 dilapidated structure grant for 821 Walnut Street, owned by Dana Lemon. Portions completed are the demolition of an unsafe portion in the rear, clearing of debris and work on the floor joists. Additionally, a extension for completion was granted to May 10. There was also an extension granted for 907 West Main Street, owned by Steve and Jane Martin, until July 22. A final payment on a dilapidated structures $25,000 grant was approved for 208 East Main Street, owned by Katie and Brantley Beck.
- Courtney issued a request that residents put items from yard cleanups in compost bags rather than piling that at the curb. "What's happening all over town is grass clippings, small branches, leaves, even big branches get put in the gutter, then when it rains it clogs up storm drains. When storm drains are clogged up, it causes flooding, and we don't want that. Please follow what our guidelines are, which is nothing should go in the gutter."
- Approved street closings for the Rockin' on the River Car Show on Saturday, Aug. 31.
- Approved handicapped parking spaces at Madison Dental Health Partners at 753 West Main Street and at 614 East Main Street.

Mastering the Art of Longevity

Layin' it on the line

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Living a Fulfilling, Healthy, and Long Life

As the saying goes, age is just a number. But the quality of years you add to that number holds the key to a fulfilling, healthy life. With people enjoying longer lifespans than ever before, the concept of 'Longevity Literacy' has evolved as an essential life skill. This article unpacks the facets of longevity literacy and why it's crucial and offers actionable steps to enrich your golden years.

What Is Longevity Literacy?

Longevity literacy is a holistic concept that goes beyond the years you accumulate; it's about making those years meaningful, active, and secure. It spans four significant pillars—health, financial security, purpose, and community engagement. Essentially, longevity literacy arms you with the wisdom to understand what affects your lifespan and empowers you to make decisions for a healthy, fulfilled existence.

The Importance of Being Longevity Literate

Understanding longevity literacy benefits you in multifaceted ways:

Optimized Health: It enables you to grasp what influences your health and offers ways to mitigate risks, ultimately leading to a healthier, more vibrant life.

Financial Security: With the probability of a longer life comes the need for extended financial planning. Longevity literacy helps you to allocate resources better to ensure a comfortable and secure retirement.

Purposeful Living: A more extended life needs a continued sense of purpose. Being longevity literate means you'll be better at finding or retaining meaning in your life through various activities and engagements.

How to Become Longevity Literate

Taking a proactive stance on longevity involves several layers of commitment across various domains:

Health

Stay Informed: Keep abreast of the latest research on aging, preventive medicine, and lifestyle choices that encourage longevity.

Consult Your Physician: Regular check-ups and personalized health strategies can go a long way in pre-empting medical issues.

Embrace a Healthy Lifestyle: Balanced nutrition, regular exercise, adequate sleep, and stress management are non-negotiables.

Financial Security

Life Expectancy Calculations: Use longevity calculators to approximate your lifespan, a crucial figure for retirement planning.

Financial Planning: Opt for financial solutions like fixed annuities that offer a stable income, covering your expenses throughout retirement.

Plan for Contingencies: A well-diversified investment portfolio should include allocations for emergencies and healthcare needs.

Purpose

Discover What Energizes You: Whether it's painting, gardening, or writing, identify what keeps you ticking.

Community Engagement: Volunteer or become part of groups that align with your interests.

Community

Stay Social: Maintain connections with family and friends. Emotional well-being is just as crucial as physical health.

Be a Community Participant: Whether it's joining the local book club or participating in community service, remain an active community member.

Additional Resources

Immerse yourself in literature, podcasts, documentaries, and workshops on aging and longevity.

Start the longevity conversation within your family because it's a subject that affects everyone.

In sum, longevity literacy is a continuously evolving journey. By keeping yourself updated and making informed decisions, you enable a future that isn't just longer but is richer in quality. Consider this your roadmap to making the most out of your extended lifetime, enhancing not just the years in your life but the life in your years.

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MADISON COURIER GIRLS BASKETBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Davis willing to do whatever it takes to make Madison a winner

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

For a lot of basketball players, there is no better feeling than watching the ball swish through the net with a crisp snap. But for Juliana Davis, there is nothing better than matching up one-on-one with an opponent, denying her path to the basket and then swiping it out of her hands for an easy layup.

"I just like when I steal the ball," Davis said with a mischievous smile. "I just like people clapping in the stands and getting excited and like going for a layup and scoring points. I just like hearing the crowd behind me."

Davis twice reached double-digit steals in a game and even flirted with a triple-double on a few occasions. When she was matched up with a player, it was only a matter of time before she either grabbed or caused a steal.

Her unique defensive ability alone would be enough to garner attention but the Madison Consolidated High School sophomore was pretty darn good offensively as well and that all-around play was enough to net Davis this year's Madison Courier Girls Basketball Player of the Year honors.

Davis averaged an area-leading 18.8 points per game this year and was Madison's offensive focal point all season. It wasn't easy being the go-to player as a sophomore, but she filled the role well.

Davis shined a year ago as a freshman but with five seniors graduating, Davis returned as one of the most veteran players on the team. Madison head coach Adam Dennis expected her to step right into a leadership role and to Juliana's credit, she never shied from it.

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Nina Campbell

Madison sophomore Juliana Davis is The Madison Courier Girls Basketball Player of the Year for 2023-24.

Above: Southwestern's Brian Crank is the Madison Courier Coach of the Year in girls basketball. | photos by David Campbell

Left: Southwestern's Baleigh McAfee is the Madison Courier Freshman of the Year. | File photos

JULIANA DAVIS

ADDISON EDMONDSON

Crank leads Southwestern resurgence to earn Courier COY

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

Midway through December, Southwestern's girls basketball team was floundering. The Rebels had just lost for the third time in five games and a once-promising season had slipped below .500 with a 6-7 record.

But from that moment on, Southwestern was the hottest team in the area. The Rebels went 12-4 the rest of the way with the only losses coming twice to eventual state runner-up Brownstown, top-ranked North Knox and Austin.

"I'm not sure what happened but in mid-December, something just clicked," Southwestern coach Brian Crank said. "If you would have seen us at the beginning of the year, you would never have believed that we would end up playing like that."

That turnaround spurred Southwestern to its best season in five years and netted Crank this year's Madison Courier Coach of the Year award.

There certainly were plenty of competitors for the award. Drew Kring held a battered and short-handed Shawe team together while losing two starters and completing the season with just six players while still going 9-13, Adam Dennis steered Madison out of a 10-game losing streak and still won 12 games, Zach Adair won 16 games and took Trimble County to the Eighth Region Tournament and Brooke Todd

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ASHLEY FULTON

ALLISON KNOEBEL

KAITLYN HENSLEY

LOCAL ROUNDUP

Carroll baseball beats Williamstown to run win streak to 6 games

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Carroll County baseball ran its win streak to six with a 12-2 rout of Williamstown Monday at home.

The Panthers pounded out 16 hits in the win. Preston Snow went 3-for-3 with two doubles, two RBIs and three runs scored, Aden Stephenson was 3-for-5 with three RBIs, Branon Battaglia had two doubles and an RBI, and Braden Stephenson, Dalton Wilson and Luke Taylor each had two hits.

Destin Noffsinger allowed two unearned runs on two hits in five innings with eight strikeouts to get the win.

Carroll, now 8-3 overall, had its game against Jeffersontown on Wednesday canceled due to the weather. The Panthers host Simon Kenton next Tuesday.

REBELS FALL TO HAUSER

Host Hauser scored five runs each in the third and fifth innings to pull away to a 11-1 win over Southwestern baseball on Monday in Hope.

The Rebels were limited to just four hits in the game. Jamison Lewis had two hits and an RBI for Southwestern, Talon Wynn had a double, Austin Jenkins had a single and Peyton Cloud scored a run.

Tryson Warren started and took the loss for the Rebels after allowing six earned runs on four hits in two and a third innings with five strikeouts.

Southwestern, now 3-2 on the season, had its game at Silver Creek on Tuesday postponed due to weather. The Rebels travel to Madison on Friday and head to Rising Sun Monday.

MADISON SOFTBALL SHUT OUT

Madison was limited to just three hits in a 7-0 softball loss at Seymour on Monday.

Emily Laufer, Kallie Eder and Sarah Adams each had singles for the Cubs. Laufer suffered the loss in the circle after allowing six earned runs in six innings with three strikeouts.

Madison, now 0-4 on the season, had its game with Carroll County on Tuesday postponed due to the weather. The Cubs were to host Trimble County on Thursday and visit Class 3A No. 7 Silver Creek on Friday. Madison hosts Jeffersonville next Tuesday.

HANOVER LACROSSE BEATS EARLHAM

Hanover men's lacrosse whipped Earlham 13-4 on the road on Wednesday.

Colin O'Brien had three goals and Ethan Abdoo had two for the Panthers while Scott Dues and Owen Parker each had two assists. Lance Guttormson had eight saves in goal and Matthew Hillard had two.

Hanover, now 4-8 overall and 1-1 in the Heartland Collegiate Lacrosse Conference, hosts Anderson next Wednesday.

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CALENDAR

Friday, April 5

BASEBALL
Switzerland Co. at Jac-Cen-Del, 5 p.m.
Madison hosts Southwestern, 6 p.m.

GOLF
Hanover women at Bluffton, 10 a.m.

SOFTBALL
Switzerland Co. at Jac-Cen-Del, 5 p.m.
Madison at Silver Creek, 5:30 p.m.
Trimble Co. hosts Collins, 6 p.m.

TENNIS
Madison at Salem, 5 p.m.
Southwestern hosts South Central, 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 6

BASEBALL
Switzerland Co. hosts Christian Academy of Indiana, 11 a.m.
Trimble Co. at Ludlow, noon
Hanover hosts Franklin, 1 p.m. (DH)

GOLF
Hanover women at Bluffton, 10 a.m.
Madison, Shawe at Floyd Central, 2 p.m.

LACROSSE
Hanover women hosts Mount St. Joseph, 1 p.m.

TENNIS
Madison at East Central Tourney, 9 a.m.
Southwestern, Paoli Invitational, 10 a.m.
Hanover men and women hosts Franklin/Greenville, noon/3:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL
Southwestern, Siekman Tourney, TBA
Switzerland Co. hosts Williamstown, 11 a.m.
Hanover hosts Mount St. Joseph, 1 p.m. (DH)

TENNIS
Hanover women hosts Franklin, noon

TRACK & FIELD
Switzerland Co., Waldron Invite, 10 a.m.
Hanover at Wabash, 11 a.m.

VOLLEYBALL
Madison boys vs. Cathedral/Center Grove at Cathedral, 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 7

BASEBALL
Hanover hosts Franklin, noon

Monday, April 8

BASEBALL
Switzerland Co. hosts South Ripley, 5 p.m.
Southwestern at Rising Sun, 5:30 p.m.
Trimble Co. at Covington Latin, 5:30 p.m.

GOLF
Southwestern at Scottsburg, 4:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL
Switzerland Co. hosts South Ripley, 5 p.m.
Southwestern at Rising Sun, 5:30 p.m.

TENNIS
Trimble Co. at Gallatin Co., 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL
Shawe boys hosts Southwestern, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, April 9

BASEBALL
Trimble Co., All "A" Tournament, TBA
Shawe hosts Jac-Cen-Del, 5 p.m.
Carroll Co. hosts Simon Kenton, 6 p.m.
Madison at Floyd Central, 6 p.m.

GOLF
Madison at Jeffersonville, 4:30 p.m.

SOFTBALL
Trimble Co., All "A" Tournament, TBA
Madison hosts Jeffersonville, 5:30 p.m.

TENNIS
Southwestern hosts Shawe, 4:30 p.m.
Madison at Trinity Lutheran, 5 p.m.
Trimble Co. hosts Grant Co., 5 p.m.

TRACK & FIELD
Shawe at South Decatur, 5 p.m.
Switzerland Co. hosts Carroll Co., 5 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL
Southwestern boys at Scottsburg, 6 p.m.
Madison boys at Silver Creek, 7:30 p.m.

Beating reigning champ UConn won't be easy task in the desert

BY JOHN MARSHALL
AP BASKETBALL WRITER

The 2024 version of March Madness has apexed with a trio of streak busters in the desert.

N.C. State is in the Final Four for the first time since Jim Valvano ran around trying to find someone to hug after the 1983 national championship. Purdue and big man Zach Edey will make their first Final Four appearance since Joe Barry Carroll dominated the paint in 1980.

Alabama? Never been.

An angry pack of Huskies awaits them in the Valley of the Sun.

Dominating on its way to a fifth national championship a year ago, UConn has looked even more unbeatable so far in its run to become the first repeat champion since Florida in 2006-07.

"Our defense is elite. Our offense is elite. We rebound the ball," UConn coach Dan Hurley said. "These guys play every possession like it's the end of the world."

The Huskies have done nothing but end opponents' hopes through consecutive dominating March runs.

UConn steamrolled its way through the 2023 bracket, winning each game by at least 13 points. That was the best since Indiana in 1981.

These Huskies may be better.

With 7-foot-2 Donovan Clingan in the middle and talent across the roster, UConn won its first four NCAA Tournament games by an average of 27.7 points. The Huskies made Illinois look like a JV team in the Elite Eight, reeling off 30 — yes, 30 — straight points in a 77-52 victory to become the first reigning champion to reach the Final Four since Florida's consecutive titles.

Knocking off UConn will be a monumental task in Glendale, Arizona, starting with Alabama in the semifinals Saturday.

"His (Hurley's) formula is working out pretty well," Alabama coach Nate Oats said. "I'm going to have to figure out that formula myself here soon."

Oats already has sorted a few things figured out.

The Crimson Tide lost in the Sweet 16 last season, then most of its roster. Oats had three returning players and replaced three assistants who left for head coaching jobs.

Playing fast and letting 3s fly from all over, Alabama led the nation in scoring during the regular season and has kept up the pace in March. Led by heady, gritty point guard Mark Sears, the Crimson Tide scored at least 89 points in three of four NCAA Tournament games, including 109 in the opener against Charleston.

Alabama reached its first Final Four by making 16 3-pointers in an 89-82 win over Clemson in the Elite Eight.

"Guys bought in — we can make this run, other teams have done it," Oats said. "We have the capability to do it."

The first national semifinal on Saturday will be big — as in more than 14 feet and 575 pounds of men in the paint.

Purdue has college basketball's most unstoppable force in Edey.

At 7-4, he didn't need a ladder to cut down the nets in Detroit and has the skill to go with his size. Edey was the AP national player of the year last year and the front-runner to become the first player to repeat since Virginia's Ralph Sampson earned it three straight years from 1980-83.

Edey has been nearly unguardable in the NCAA Tournament, becoming the first player since Kareem Abdul-Jabbar (then known as Lew Alcindor) in 1968 to have at least 50 points and 35 rebounds while shooting 65% from the field the first two games of an NCAA Tournament.

Edey topped that with a career-high 40 points and 16 rebounds in a 72-66 win over Tennessee that sent the Boilermakers to the Final Four a year after making history by losing to a No. 16 seed.

"Zach's got a competitive fight to him. He doesn't back down," Purdue coach Matt Painter said. "When you have that elite physical size and you have that competitive spirit with it, with some skill, it's pretty dangerous. He's pretty hard to handle."

So is N.C. State's DJ Burns Jr.

The 6-9, 275-pounder has a big-sized game and a personality to go with it. He's the focal point of the Wolfpack offense and opponents have yet to find a way to stop him.

Burns has great footwork, a soft touch and vision to find the open man nearly every time. Combined with the team's other DJ, Arizona State transfer DJ Horne, N.C. State won five games in five days just to get into the NCAA Tournament and kept rolling into the Final Four as a No. 11 seed.

"DJ Burns has been around for a long time, but his personality, his play has really opened eyes of a lot of folks around the country," N.C. State coach Kevin Keatts said.

Now the Wolfpack get to play in the game's biggest spotlight with two other teams who ended long droughts — and a fourth vying for a place in history.

Trip to Final Four has Wolfpack fans howling with March Madness delight

BY AARON BEARD
AP BASKETBALL WRITER

RALEIGH, N.C. — The grave sits perched on a hill in the historic 72-acre Oakwood Cemetery near downtown. It bears "Valvano" carved in large letters on polished black stone, honoring North Carolina State's charismatic coach who sold big dreams then lived them in an unforgettable run to the 1983 national championship.

Jimmy V has been gone more than three decades. Yet visitors are leaving fresh tributes: flowers, a bobblehead of the late men's basketball coach, a large "Go Pack" foam No. 1 finger, a small red-and-white basketball bearing the "Tuffy" sailor hat-wearing mascot, a can of Wolfpack-branded beer sitting aside a themed bag of "Pack Snack" kettle chips.

Among those: a sticker bearing the "Why not us?" mantra defining the maddest of March moments here in decades.

The Wolfpack men have followed their first Atlantic Coast Conference championship since 1987 with an even more improbable Final Four appearance, the first since Valvano's "Cardiac Pack" magic of '83. Even more magical: The women are in the Final Four, too, their first trip since 1998, which came under their own beloved late Hall of Famer, Kay Yow.

It's all led to an emotional reconnection with past glory on Tobacco Road, including this time a generation that has never seen anything like this before.

"Thrilled for both programs, both coaches, our students," athletic director Boo Corrigan said. "But the fan base that's been with us, that's been a part of this and believing year in and year out … the excitement is really kind of the best part of it."

It's a thrill borne of built-up frustration. The feeling of having to do everything the hard way as a constant underdog. Even fighting against a Murphy's Law-type jinx known around these parts as "N.C. State (Expletive)." Yet battered hope remains, for a women's team that has been nationally relevant for numerous seasons and a men's program that spent much of the post-Valvano era wandering in the wilderness.

Payoffs came Sunday with Final Four tickets. Now N.C. State owns a spotlight it often has to fight to share with nearby rivals Duke — the 11th-seeded Wolfpack men's Elite Eight victim — and North Carolina.

Rod Brind'Amour, coach of the NHL's Carolina Hurricanes, understands those dynamics. The Hurricanes share PNC Arena with the Wolfpack men and played their Stadium Series outdoor game last year in the school's Carter-Finley Stadium football home. He also married the daughter of former N.C. State player and assistant coach Eddie Biedenbach.

"It's been a long time," Brind'Amour said. "Something good needed to happen there (for) all the loyal fans and stuff. It's pretty special that both teams … are in it. I think that's pretty cool. It's nice to have all the buzz around."

That explains why fans keep flocking to the red-lit Memorial Belltower after wins to celebrate a ride beginning with the men's five-games-in-five-days run to the ACC title, the origin of coach Kevin Keatts' "Why not us?" message to his players.

By early Monday, fans were greeting one Final Four team in its campus homecoming, then the other about two hours later.

Both programs have leaned into it. Women's coach Wes Moore attended the men's ACC title win in the nation's capital, then Keatts sat behind press row as Moore's women beat Tennessee in an NCAA second-round home win.

Businessman Greg Hatem, whose Empire Properties helped revitalize downtown Raleigh with restaurants and building projects, is savoring it all. Part of the Wolfpack Club's board of directors, Hatem was a photographer for N.C. State's student newspaper The Technician during the 1983 run that ended with Lorenzo Charles' dunk to beat Houston and Valvano frantically looking for someone to hug in Albuquerque.

It was an enduring moment for a program that also won the 1974 NCAA title, which included beating UCLA in the Final Four to end John Wooden's run of seven straight championships. Now 2024 has its place in Wolfpack lore.

"It's nice to feel the energy again, it's nice to see people out wearing the red," Hatem said. "I have a habit: win or lose, the day of the game and the day after, I always wear an N.C. State shirt. ... You know, there's a lot of fans around here, they don't like to wear their color blue when they don't win. Well, we do that all the time."

Hatem had decided to ride out March with the men, who entered the ACC tourney on a four-game skid and needing to win the whole thing to reach March Madness amid uncertainty about Keatts' future. What looked like a brief trip has now included NCAA games in Pittsburgh and Dallas with 14-year-old son George, who has "been squeezing school in and out of this thing."

"It's nice to see kind of the crescendo of people coming back out that just weren't energized," Hatem said. "It's not that they weren't fans. But now they're excited again, and I'm talking about the young ones who have never seen this, and folks my age who have seen and remember '83 and '74.

"It's something I didn't know when we would get to see it. I love the fact I get to see it with my family now, but I love the fact that I get to see it again, too."

The same is true of 1983 team member Ernie Myers, who said teammates are talking constantly about this run on their group text. Charles, he of the famous dunk, died in 2011 and is buried not far from Valvano.

"A lot of these people I meet now, that are my age, they would tell their kids about '83 and how they were on campus," Myers said. "And some of the parents, now their kids or their grandkids now are experiencing what they experienced at N.C. State with this run. And they're telling them: 'This is like '83! This is how it was!' "

Myers is a radio analyst for the women and worked their Elite Eight win against Texas. The wait hadn't been quite the same for Moore's team, which won three straight ACC tournaments from 2020-22 and reached the Elite Eight two years ago. That top-seeded team faced a lower-seeded Connecticut team in the Huskies' home state, suffering a crushing double-overtime loss.

Yet this team picked eighth in the ACC took that final step.

Chasity Melvin was the top scorer for the program's lone Final Four appearance before playing professionally in the WNBA and overseas, and has since moved into coaching. She's following superstitious routines for the Wolfpack's matching runs: wearing N.C. State socks, sitting in the middle of a three-cushion couch, no texting or tweeting during play.

"I know I got talked smack to throughout my whole career, traveling across the world," Melvin said. "It's like 'Oh, you're Carolina?' And I hate that. When I'd say I played at N.C. State: 'Oh the Tar Heels?' No! People don't know about us just because of that dominance of UNC and Duke.

Purdue stayed the course on quest for Final Four

BY EDDIE PELLS
AP NATIONAL WRITER

DETROIT — Instead of rebuilding via the transfer portal or overhauling the roster with some splashy NIL deals when its season came to an embarrassing halt last year, Purdue looked straight in the mirror.

Even after a loss that made them a laughingstock, the Boilermakers pretty much liked what they saw.

The result is a trip to the Final Four for a program that has dealt with change in the sport — to say nothing of its reputation as an underachiever as a team — mostly by sticking with what's worked, and sometimes hasn't, for the better part of the last 50 years.

The Boilermakers beat Tennessee 72-66 on Sunday to make their first Final Four since 1980. The win came a year and two weeks after Purdue became only the second No. 1 seed to fall in the first round of March Madness.

The headliner was 7-foot-4 Zach Edey, who came back for his senior season after last year's disappointment. Sticking with it fits in nicely for a program whose roots reach down into the bedrock. Purdue has had two coaches over the last 44 seasons — Gene Keady, who was in the stands for this one, and Matt Painter, who is in his 19th season in West Lafayette.

"We're systematic, and we evolve with our system," Painter explained. "We evolve towards the strength of our best players. I think it's a big fallacy in recruiting because everybody wants to play shortstop and lead off, but you've got one shortstop, and if Cal Ripken is there, he's probably not going to get moved."

Currently, Edey is Purdue's Cal Ripken.

Whether his last college game is Saturday against North Carolina State or next Monday in the final against UConn or Alabama, chances are Purdue won't be searching far and wide for a new headliner. Sure, the past three years in college basketball have been splattered with big headlines about huge roster shakeups and NIL deals worth millions.

Painter viewed it as a point of pride that he's only picked up two transfers in four years. (One of whom was Lance Jones, a somewhat quiet signing last offseason who has averaged 12 points a game.)

"I sign a lot of guys in the fall, and I stay out of the spring," Painter said of the time when transfers find new teams. "The spring stinks. It's all these guys are talking about. I'm not."

It's one thing to stand on principle. Quite another to win that way.

Purdue's style of winning this season speaks volumes about this school's near complete disregard for fitting in.

Edey, with his back-to-the-basket post game is considered a dinosaur in the modern game. He is the reigning AP Player of the Year, a unanimous All-American in 2024 and leads the nation in scoring. His value in the pros? Shaky, mainly because the NBA has turned to analytics and the value of the 3-pointer over grinding inside play.

Purdue views Edey in a different way. To the coach, Edey is a player, and a style, that nobody quite knows how to handle anymore. A stout defensive team like Tennessee might have had the best chance, but ultimately, it ran into the same issues that plague everyone: Foul trouble, frustration and fatigue after leaning on a guy who outweighs everyone by 70 pounds or more.

"In terms of greatness in a player, he's very unselfish," said Painter, who compared Edey to his own contemporary, Glenn Robinson. "So if you just get to your spots and stay with what you're doing and they just come and get him, now we're playing H-O-R-S-E. If they don't, we want him to be aggressive and score."

Edey has averaged 30 points and 16.8 rebounds over four games in the tournament.

Taking all this in from the stands Sunday afternoon was Keady.

He's 87 years old now, and was the one who recruited Painter to Purdue. That was around 35 years ago when Keady was still getting his footing and the thought that he would never coach in a Final Four over what would become a Hall of Fame 25 years with the Boilermakers seemed impossible.

Painter said he grew up an Indiana fan, so going to the Hoosiers archrival never seemed like a move for him. Then, the recruiters started visiting. Most told him what he wanted to hear. Keady told him he'd need to get a summer job so he could learn what it meant to have to get up every morning and learn what it was like to work.

Painter talked it over with his dad.

"He said 'That's the only person who told you the truth. You need him way more than he needs you,' " Painter recalled.

It came as no surprise, then, to hear Keady's takeaway after Purdue earned its first trip to the Final Four since the Carter Administration.

In a phone call with the AP after Edey had cut down the net and handed him a piece of twine, the coach said, "It shows people if you do things the right way, it will pay off."

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Overlooked Sears carries Alabama to first Final Four

BY JOHN ZENOR
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TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Nate Oats admits it: He whiffed on Mark Sears out of high school.

It's OK, though. So did every other major college coach.

It is why Alabama's undersized, high-scoring point guard wound up at Ohio University before finally getting a chance to return to his home state.

Nobody is overlooking the 6-foot-1, 185-pound Sears now. A sharp shooter with the quickness to dart by defenders, he has led the Crimson Tide to its first Final Four heading into Saturday night's game against top-seeded UConn in Glendale, Arizona.

"I probably screwed up not offering him out of high school," Oats said. "Not probably, we did screw up."

He didn't make the same mistake twice. Sears spent two seasons at Ohio, emerging as one of the Mid-American Conference's most outstanding player of the top players. Then the Muscle Shoals native was in the transfer portal and coveted by the same programs who once didn't think him good enough or big enough.

A player who jotted down goals as a kid that included playing in the Southeastern Conference and making the Final Four picked Alabama, where he's now the only player from the state on the roster. A surprise as the team's No. 2 scorer behind Brandon Miller last season, Sears has been a revelation during this Final Four run.

He is averaging 21.5 points a game, second in the SEC behind Tennessee's Dalton Knecht and 11th in the country. Sears is ninth nationally in 3-point shooting, making 43.4%.

Sears has been even better in the NCAA Tournament, making 17 3-pointers and scoring 97 points over four games. That includes seven 3s against Clemson, after which he was named West Regional.

"Did I think he was going to be this good?" Oats said. "Nobody did. Maybe his mom did."

Lameka Sears has always been her son's biggest cheerleader. That's why the TV cameras kept pointing her direction in the stands during NCAA Tournament games, often showing her going through his free throw routine along with him before every shot from the line.

"I have to remind him, Use your legs, Mark. Use your legs," said Lameka Sears, a travel nurse.

In interviews, Sears is as soft-spoken as his mom is exuberant.

"Coming out of high school, I wasn't highly recruited," Sears said after the Clemson game. "My parents, they kept encouraging me to never give up and stay focused, put God first. I just put the work in, trusted God, and now I'm here. That's really all I can say."

What were his expectations coming to Alabama? "Coming to Alabama, my expectation, I pretty much achieved most of them and just to be able to do it and being from the state of Alabama means the world to me."

The progression of his game since high school led him — and Alabama — to the Final Four. Oats said had Sears not stepped up his leadership and defense over the past month, the team's season would be done.

MAC coaches assured Oats during the second-chance recruitment that Sears could play in the SEC. He needed a shooter and Sears certainly fit the bill.

"Nobody told me he was going to be this good," Oats said.

Parents Chad and Lameka Sears have been with him every step of the way. Lameka Sears has attended all but one of her son's games at Alabama, missing last season's LSU road game when they were in a wreck en route. If Chad misses a game, it's probably only because he's at one of their daughter Makenzie's track meets, volleyball or basketball games.

Lameka Sears shared an emotional moment with her son on the court after the Clemson game. The dreams and prayers for their son to be successful and see his work pay off had come to fruition.

"It was almost like an out-of-body experience, because the very thing that we prayed for in secret was literally manifested not only for us to see, but for the nation to see," she said. "I get choked up even thinking about it. It was a wow moment.

"It's like a David versus Goliath. I looked at it like David being Mark, Goliath being the naysayers. I said, 'Well, David had a rock, a slingshot, we've got a 3-point shot.' "

That shot has been on target so far.

Women's Final Four loaded with star players and programs

Clark tour touches down in Rock & Roll Cleveland

BY TOM WITHERS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — The final shows for Caitlin Clark's tour are booked in an arena just a short drive from the Rock & Roll Hall Fame.

Hello, Cleveland.

College basketball's biggest act — men's or women's — will close out her magnificent Iowa career this weekend in the Final Four after Clark delivered a 41-point, 12-assist performance in a win over defending champion LSU.

It was vintage Clark, and typical Clark.

"When the stage is the brightest, when the spotlight is the brightest, she's at her very best," Iowa coach Lisa Bluder said Monday on a Zoom call. "She loves this. Some people wither in the moment. She just gets stronger in the moment.

"When it's her time, she's going to just shine."

Clark, who has spent this season rewriting record books, signing autographs for adoring fans everywhere she goes and excelling despite enormous pressure, will lead the Hawkeyes (33-4) in Friday night's second semifinal against UConn (33-5), one of the game's preeminent programs back for a 23rd time under Hall of Fame coach Geno Auriemma.

In the other semi, undefeated South Carolina (36-0) puts perfection on the line against North Carolina State (32-6), a No. 3 seed that already has pulled off two upsets in the NCAA Tournament and has sights on a third.

"Hey, we're coming to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, you got to crash the party, right?" Wolfpack coach Wes Moore said with a smile.

Make no mistake, this is Clark's party.

She has been the dominant story this season, a generational talent who has lived up to expectations and even pushed beyond them. So maybe it's fitting that Clark will take her last collegiate shots on the same floor where LeBron James rose from hyped high school phenom to NBA superstardom.

The game's best outside shooter, Clark has hardly missed.

With the stakes as high as possible on Monday night in Albany, New York, Clark came through. Naturally.

A year after losing in the NCAA title game to the Tigers and star Angel Reese, who famously taunted her in the closing seconds, Clark got even in the rematch with a few flicks of her right wrist.

She dropped nine 3-pointers while passing UConn great Diana Taurasi's tourney record for 3s, and Clark moved past Oklahoma's Taylor Robertson for the most 3s in a career for Division I players.

At one point in the second half, LSU guard Hailey Van Lith, who was given the impossible assignment of guarding Clark, reacted with a shrug and a "what am I supposed to do?" expression after watching another 3 fall.

For Bluder, it was nothing new. But the setting made this more special.

"Her distant 3s were spectacular," Iowa's coach said. "We asked her to try to get to the rim in the first quarter. I thought she did. She did a great job of that. We wanted her to get some high-percentage easy ones to begin with, and she did.

"In the third quarter, when she took that distant 3 and she nailed it to get us going, I knew then we were in good shape. I never want to talk about her without talking about her passing. Absolutely unbelievable."

In some ways, so is UConn's presence in this year's Final Four, despite its blue-blooded pedigree.

The Huskies have been ravaged by injuries, forcing Auriemma to play four freshmen and leaving him with little depth. Fortunately, he's still got the marvelous Paige Bueckers, who has returned to her All-America form after missing last season with a knee injury.

Auriemma has had more talented teams, led by stars Breanna Stewart, Diana Taurasi, Sue Bird and Maya Moore, but this one is unique.

"There's something about this group that the intangibles are what's carrying us right now, that grit, that toughness," said the 70-year-old Auriemma, an 11-time national champion. "Will it hold up in the Final Four? I don't know. The Final Four, talent takes over in the Final Four. We'll see what happens, but that's been the story of this group for the last three years."

LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION

The voters of JEFFERSON County are notified in accordance with Indiana Code 3-8-2-19 that a primary election will be held within the county on May 7, 2024, with the polls open from 6:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., prevailing local time. I certify that based on the declarations of candidacy filed in the office of the county election board *(or the Lake, Porter, or Tippecanoe County Boards of Elections and Registration)*, and the public questions certified to me by the State of Indiana or this county's election board, the following individuals and public questions will be placed on the primary election ballot:

DEMOCRATIC PARTY PRIMARY CANDIDATES

Candidate name and address	Office sought
Joseph R Biden Jr. PO Box 58174 Philadelphia, PA 19102	US President
Marc Carmichael 3251 N. Pennsylvania St. Apt. C Indianapolis, IN 46205	United States Senator from Indiana
Valerie McCray 1075 Broad Ripple Ave #220 Indianapolis, IN 46220	United States Senator from Indiana
Jennifer G. McCormick 1341 W County Road 50 N New Castle, IN 47362	Governor
D. Liam Dorris 3842 W Fairington Dr Bloomington, IN 47403	United States Representative, Ninth District
Timothy (Tim) Peck 6412 Flint Ridge Rd New Washington, IN 47162	United States Representative, Ninth District
Rick Cannon 1714 Schindler Dr Charlestown, IN 47111	State Representative, District 066
Jennifer David 7118 Independence Way Charlestown, IN 47111	State Representative, District 066
Lisa Barker 6826 E. Laughery Creed Road Aurora, IN 47001	State Representative, District 068
Sarah Cooper-Adams 1365 Osage St Apt 3 Madison, IN 47250-1972	Jefferson County Recorder

REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY CANDIDATES

Candidate name and address	Office sought
Nikki R. Haley 186 Seven Farms Drive, Suite F-370 Daniel Island, SC 29492	US President
Donald J. Trump P.O. Box 13570 Arlington, VA 22219	US President
Jim Banks 341 N. Chauncey Street Columbia City, IN 46725	United States Senator from Indiana
Mike Braun 2080 W. 600 N Jasper, IN 47546	Governor
Brad Chambers 6986 Washington Boulevard W. Indianapolis, IN 46220	Governor
Suzanne Crouch 12345 Browning Road Evansville, IN 47725	Governor
Eric Doden 8830 Notestine Road Fort Wayne, IN 46835	Governor
Curtis Hill 3314 East Lake Drive South Elkhart, IN 46514	Governor
Jamie Reitenour 6711 Colville Place Indianapolis, IN 46236	Governor
Hugh Doty 2113AllenWay Sellersburg, IN 47172	United States Representative, Ninth District
Erin Houchin 109 Lakeview Drive Salem, IN 47167	United States Representative, Ninth District
James E. (Jim) Baker 6005 Mariners Trail Charlestown, IN 47111	State Representative, District 066
Zach Payne 957 Main Street Charlestown, IN 47111	State Representative, District 066
Chad Meinders 3903 N. County Road 450 E. Milan, IN 47031	State Representative, District 067
Alex Zimmerman P.O. Box 1135 North Vernon, IN 47265	State Representative, District 067
Garrett R. Bascom 9122 Arlington Road Dillsboro, IN 47018	State Representative, District 068
D.J. Mote 405 Laurel Lane Madison, IN 47250	Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court, 5th Judicial Circuit
Amy Storm Stephens 5822 N China Manville Rd Madison, IN 47250-9370	Jefferson County Recorder
Heather White 70 Paradise Lane Madison, IN 47250	Jefferson County Recorder
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Mike Pittman PO Box 270 Madison, IN 47250-0270	Jefferson County Surveyor
David Bramer 2579 S College Hills Dr Hanover, IN 47243	Jefferson County Commissioner, District Lower
Rick Berry 511 BRENTWOOD DR MADISON, IN 47250-2904	Jefferson County Commissioner, District Middle
Ray Black Jr. 834 W MAIN ST MADISON, IN 47250-3106	Jefferson County Commissioner, District Middle
Robert Little 2044 N RYKERS RIDGE RD MADISON, IN 47250-8953	Jefferson County Commissioner, District Middle
Gary Copeland 9609 North Copeland Ridge Rd Madison, IN 47250	Jefferson County Council, At Large
Pam Crozier 1017 E Crozier Lane Madison, IN 47250	Jefferson County Council, At Large
Heather Traylor Foy 3449 W FRED HARRELL DR MADISON, IN 47250-6630	Jefferson County Council, At Large

IN-PERSON ABSENTEE OR "EARLY" VOTING INFORMATION

The dates, times and locations of in-person voting at the circuit court clerk's office and, if applicable, at satellite offices are as follows:

Location Address	Location Hours
HANOVER PARK BUILDING 200 SPRUCE LN HANOVER IN, 47243	Open Wednesday 04/17/2024 until Wednesday 04/17/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM Open Wednesday 04/24/2024 until Wednesday 04/24/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM Open Wednesday 05/01/2024 until Wednesday 05/01/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM
JEFFERSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE 300 E. MAIN STREET MADISON IN, 47250	Open Tuesday 04/09/2024 until Friday 04/12/2024 from 9:00AM to 4:00PM Open Monday 04/15/2024 until Friday 04/19/2024 from 9:00AM to 4:00PM Open Saturday 04/27/2024 until Saturday 04/27/2024 from 8:00AM to 3:00PM Open Monday 04/29/2024 until Friday 05/03/2024 from 9:00AM to 4:00PM Open Monday 05/06/2024 until Monday 05/06/2024 from 9:00AM to 12:00PM
JEFFERSON COUNTY EMA 620 GREEN ROAD MADISON IN, 47250	Open Tuesday 04/16/2024 until Tuesday 04/16/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM Open Thursday 04/18/2024 until Thursday 04/18/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM Open Tuesday 04/23/2024 until Tuesday 04/23/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM Open Thursday 04/25/2024 until Thursday 04/25/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM Open Tuesday 04/30/2024 until Tuesday 04/30/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM Open Thursday 05/02/2024 until Thursday 05/02/2024 from 11:00AM to 6:00PM

DATED, THIS 1st DAY OF APRIL, 2024.

Tabatha Eblen
Circuit Court Clerk

CLERK OF COURTS
JEFFERSON CO. INDIANA

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"After they left, it was just like, 'Wow, it's on me now. Like, I have to step up and be the leader,' because five seniors left me. So it was my turn to be a leader," Davis said. "I tried talking more during games, like pointing people out defenses and helping out. I think I did really well but I definitely think I can improve."

"We knew coming into this year that she needed to be a leader on our team and she grew so much," Dennis said. "She's a joy to be around and she's a joy to coach. She's the type of person that people want to be around and she's the type of person that people want to excel for. She's a pleasure to coach and there isn't a player in the state that I would rather coach."

Davis announced herself early in the season with a pair of 30-point games although Madison opened the season with a six-game losing streak. Then came a demoralizing 10-game losing streak where seemingly everything that could go wrong for the Cubs, did.

But Madison kept its head up and eventually won five-straight games before losing to Scottsburg in the sectional championship game. Much of that credit goes to Davis, not just for her play on the court, but her leadership in the locker room.

"The 10-game streak was something I've never had before. It was hard but we weren't really playing all that bad. I was just trying and trying and trying to get us a win," Davis said. "And when we finally pulled one out, I was like 'Alright, this is our time. This is our time to keep on going.' We tried but we ran into a really good team in the sectional."

While the high school season is over, Davis isn't done playing basketball. She has already hit the AAU circuit and has opted not to run track in order to concentrate on basketball. She will enter her junior season just 223 points shy of 1,000 for her career and is within range of Britney Myers' school record of 1,551 set more than 20 years ago.

But none of that truly matters to Davis who has her focus set on winning the Cubs' first sectional crown since 2014 and beyond.

"Hopefully I get my 1,000 points by my senior year and I want to break that steals record so bad," Davis said with a smile. "But I really want to make my teammates better and I want to win a state championship. That would be amazing. I would love to win a state championship."

"She just wants to win. That's the bottom line. She wants to do whatever she has to do for us to end up on the right side of the scoreboard at the end of the game," Dennis said. "It's pretty cool to have kids that are willing to give of themselves that much and you can just tell that she's given everything. And it's awesome and it's inspiring and it makes me want to be better, it makes our coaching staff want to be better and it makes the kids around her want to be better."

ROUNDUP

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CARROLL FALLS TO COLLINS

Carroll County softball was denied 11-10 in eight innings at Collins on Monday in Shelbyville, Kentucky.

The teams were tied 9-9 at the end of regulation. Carroll scored a run in the top of the eighth but Collins pushed across two in the bottom of the inning for the walk-off win.

Carroll pitcher Madi Groves took the loss with seven strikeouts over seven innings. Adree Dermon pitched in the eighth.

Collins scored 11 runs on eight hits and Carroll had 10 runs on 10 hits. Groves and Dermon had two hits and an one RBI each for the Panthers while Taylor Butler had two hits, Jade Taylor a hit and two RBIs and Macy Coghill and Kaitlynn Bowling had a hit and an RBI each.

The Panthers, now 2-5 on the season, had their game at Madison on Tuesday postponed due to weather. Carroll hosts Williamstown next Wednesday.

LADY PACERS LOSE TO DEARBORN

Switzerland County softball lost 16-2 at South Dearborn on Monday.

The Pacers, now 0-2 on the season, had their game at Austin on Tuesday postponed due to the weather. Switzerland travels to Jac-Cen-Del on Friday, hosts Williamstown on Saturday and hosts South Ripley next Monday.

LEGAL

Jefferson County Goodwill Conservation Club we will be voting on some changes to the by-laws at the April 11th club meeting at 7:00pm.

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DES. # 2002980
LEGAL NOTICE OF PLANNED IMPROVEMENT
Bridge Replacement Project along East Sugan Hollow Road in Jefferson County, Indiana

Officials with Jefferson County and the Federal Highway Administration plan to proceed with a proposed bridge replacement project, carrying East Sugan Hollow Road over Structure No. 39-00107 in Jefferson County, Indiana (Des. No.: 2002980).

The purpose of the project is to improve the alignment of East Sugan Hollow Road while providing a structure carrying East Sugan Hollow Road over Brushy Fork Creek with a good condition rating (Rating 7 out of 9 or better). The need for this project is derived from the deteriorating conditions of Jefferson County Bridge No. 107. According to the most recent Bridge Inspection Report, dated December 5, 2022, the substructure was found to be in poor condition (Rating 4 out of 9) with cracks, leaching and deteriorated concrete due to poor alignment with the stream channel, resulting in severe scour which has exposed the existing foundations. Piers 2 and 3 have exposed spread footings, with Pier 2 being cracked, with spalls and deteriorated concrete. The superstructure is in fair condition (Rating 5 out of 9) with longitudinal cracks along the prestressed beams. The deck is also in fair condition, with hairline cracks and seepage. The bridge was built with no skew. The bridge exhibits an overall fair rating (Rating 5 out of 9) due to advanced deterioration and poor geometry.

The proposed construction of this project will require approximately 0.51 acre of new permanent right-of-way (ROW) and 0.008 acre of temporary ROW acquisition.

The maintenance of traffic (MOT) plan proposes a temporary road closure with a detour route. The detour route will utilize East Brushy Fork Road, Rebel Hollow Road, Stotts Bridge Road, and Prong Road, with an added travel distance of approximately 6.0 miles. The detour route will be in place for approximately six months. The proposed start of construction is Autumn 2025.

The cost associated with this project is approximately $1.97 million which includes preliminary engineering, ROW, and construction funding for Contract B-43654, with both federal and local funds anticipated to be used. The FHWA and INDOT have agreed this project falls within the guidelines of a Categorical Exclusion (CE) Level 2 environmental document. Preliminary design plans along with the CE-2 are available for review at the following locations:

1. Jefferson County Highway Department Office:
2. United Consulting Office: 8440 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46250
3. On-Line Location: **https://tinyurl.com/bdd9bfej**

(Also accessible online: ***https://ucindy-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/p/aaron_toombs/EImg8hPuLpFpry-UakMBF9sBHcw_TFA1KF-BajXrGNd43yA?e=gmAB85***) **All interested persons may request a public hearing be held and/or express their concerns by submitting comments to the attention of Aaron M. Toombs, United Consulting, 8440 Allison Pointe Boulevard, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46250. E-Mail:*aaron.toombs@ucindy.com* on or before April 21, 2024. In addition, project information, including the environmental document, may be mailed to interested persons upon request.**

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in alternative formats are encouraged to contact United Consulting for the arrangement and coordination of services. Please contact Aaron M. Toombs at **aaron.toombs@ucindy.com**.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, persons and/or groups requiring project information be made available in another language are encouraged to contact United Consulting.

This notice is published in compliance with: 1) Code of Federal Regulations, Title 23, Section 771 (CFR771.111 (h)(1) stating, "Each State must have procedures approved by the FHWA to carry out a public involvement/public hearing program."; 2) 23 CFR 450.210(a)(1)(ix) stating, "Provide for the periodic review of the effectiveness of the public involvement process to ensure that the process provides full and open access to all interested parties and revise the process, as appropriate."; and 3) The INDOT Project Development Public Involvement Procedures Manual approved by the Federal Highway Administration on July 7, 2021.

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Historic District Board of Review Legal Notice
MEETING DATE: April 22, 2024, at 5:30 PM
MEETING PLACE: Madison City Hall, 101 W. Main Street Madison, IN 47250

A. Roll Call
B. Approval of Minutes
C. Review of Applications
• Andy Crabtree – C. of A. to replace aluminum siding with vinyl siding. Replace shingle roof with metal roof. Replace wood windows with vinyl windows.
Location: 1018 Park Ave
Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)
• Donnie Vaughn – C. of A. to build a 15-ft x 15-ft wood gazebo with stone fireplace in the backyard.
Location: 710 W Second
Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)
• Judy Stacier – C. of A. to install 9-ft x 12-ft metal gazebo and a 10-ft x 13-ft deck in the backyard.
Location: 518 W Second St
Zoned: Historic District Residential (HDR)
• Brian Marshall - C. of A. to build a 40-ft x 47-ft pole barn.
Location: 108 W 5th St (rear of 701-703 West St)
Zoned: Central Business District (CBD)
D. New/Old Business
• Rules of Procedure Amendment: require posting of new signs following incomplete application and payment of sign fees for replacement signs.
E. Staff Report
F. Adjournment
G. Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 5:30 PM

For the purpose of hearing those who are for or against said applications, a public hearing will be held on Monday, April 22, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall, 101 W. Main Street, Madison, IN 47250.

This agenda is in DRAFT FORM. Open Door Law does not prohibit the public agency from changing or adding to its agenda during the meeting. As per Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, anyone requiring an auxiliary aid or service for affective communication, should contact the Office of Planning, Preservation, & Design at 812-265-8324 as soon as possible, but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE HISTORIC DISTRICT BOARD OF REVIEW
Nicole M Schell, Director of Planning

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STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON
SS:
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NUMBER: 39C01-2310-JC-000035

IN THE MATTER OF:
KC - DOB 3/3/2018
A CHILD ALLEGED TO BE A CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES
AND
CASSANDRA COMBS (MOTHER) AND ANY UNKNOWN ALLEGED FATHERS

SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES HEARING

TO: Any Unknown Alleged Father Whereabouts unknown

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to Any Unknown Alleged Fathers, whose whereabouts are unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed its Verified Petition Alleging the child to be in Need of Services, in accordance with I.C. 31-34-9-3, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court, 300 East Main Street, Madison, IN 47250-3537 - 812-265-8930 for a(n) Initial/Fact Finding Hearing on 6/6/2024 at 11:00 AM.

At said hearing, the Court will consider the Petition and evidence thereon and will render its decision as to whether the above named minor child is child in need of services and shall enter adjudication accordingly. Your failure to appear after lawful notice will be deemed as your default and waiver to be present at said hearing.

UPON ENTRY OF SAID ADJUDICATION, A DISPOSITIONAL HEARING will be held in which the Court will consider (1) Alternatives for the care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the child; (2) The necessity, nature, and extent of your participation in the program of care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the child; and (3) Your financial responsibility for any services provided for the parent, guardian or custodian of the child including child support.

YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, an adjudication on said petition, judgment by default may be entered against you, or the court may proceed in your absence, without further notice.

Tabatha Eblen
Clerk
Kristen Hamilton, *23782-39
Attorney, Indiana Department of Child Services 493 West Hutchinson Lane
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LEGAL

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON
SS:
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NO. 39C01-2403-MI-231
IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
Josephine Miner-Storms

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Josephine Miner-Storms, whose mailing address is 4676 Olive Branch Rd., Madison, Indiana 47250 in the Jefferson County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Josephine Storms has filed a petition in the Jefferson Court requesting her name be changed to Josephine Miner. Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on May 13th, 2024 at 1:00PM

Josephine Miner-Storms
Petitioner
3-4/24
Date

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STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON
SS:
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NUMBER: 39C01-2310-JC-000034

IN THE MATTER OF:
DC - DOB 7/14/2020
A CHILD ALLEGED TO BE A CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES
AND
CASSANDRA COMBS (BIOLOGICAL MOTHER) KENNETH CORAM (ALLEGED FATHER) AND ANY UNKNOWN ALLEGED FATHERS

SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES HEARING

TO: Kenneth Coram and Any Unknown Alleged Father Whereabouts unknown

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above noted parent whose whereabouts are unknown, as well as Any Unknown Alleged Fathers, whose whereabouts are also unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed its Verified Petition Alleging the child to be in Need of Services, in accordance with I.C. 31-34-9-3, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court, 300 East Main Street, Madison, IN 47250-3537 - 812-265-8930 for a(n) Initial/Fact Finding Hearing on 6/6/2024 at 11:00 AM.

At said hearing, the Court will consider the Petition and evidence thereon and will render its decision as to whether the above named minor child is child in need of services and shall enter adjudication accordingly. Your failure to appear after lawful notice will be deemed as your default and waiver to be present at said hearing.

UPON ENTRY OF SAID ADJUDICATION, A DISPOSITIONAL HEARING will be held in which the Court will consider (1) Alternatives for the care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the child; (2) The necessity, nature, and extent of your participation in the program of care, treatment, or rehabilitation for the child; and (3) Your financial responsibility for any services provided for the parent, guardian or custodian of the child including child support.

YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, an adjudication on said petition, judgment by default may be entered against you, or the court may proceed in your absence, without further notice.

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STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NO. 39C01-2403-EU-000025
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
GEORGE ANDREW DRAB, JR., DECEASED.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on March 27, 2024, Jennifer Drab was appointed personal representative of the estate of George Andrew Drab, Jr., deceased, who died on March 2, 2024.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 27th day of March 2024.

Tabatha Eblen
Clerk, Jefferson Circuit Court

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LEGAL

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON
SS:
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NUMBER: 39C01-2310-JC-000032

IN THE MATTER OF:
JC - DOB 1/28/2022
A CHILD ALLEGED TO BE A CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES
AND
CASSANDRA COMBS (MOTHER)
LAWRENCE SEELMAER (ALLEGED FATHER) AND ANY UNKNOWN ALLEGED FATHERS

SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES HEARING

TO: Lawrence Seelmaer and Any Unknown Alleged Father Whereabouts unknown

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above noted parent whose whereabouts are unknown, as well as Any Unknown Alleged Fathers, whose whereabouts are also unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed its Verified Petition Alleging the child to be in Need of Services, in accordance with I.C. 31-34-9-3, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court.

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LEGAL

The Jefferson County Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 420 West Main Street, Madison, Indiana 47250.

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LEGAL

STATE OF INDIANA
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NO. 39C01-2403-EU-000024
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
BELINDA A. CLARK, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that on March 27, 2024, Kevin Walters and Lisa (Hobbs) Pockman were appointed personal representatives of the estate of Belinda A. Clark, deceased, who died on July 20, 2023.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Madison, Indiana, this 27th day of March 2024.

Tabatha Eblen
Clerk, Jefferson Circuit Court

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LEGAL

STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON
SS:
IN THE JEFFERSON CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NUMBER: 39C01-2310-JC-000033

IN THE MATTER OF:
KC - DOB 9/14/2015
A CHILD ALLEGED TO BE A CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES
AND
CASSANDRA COMBS (BIOLOGICAL MOTHER)
RUEBEN PEREZ (ALLEGED FATHER) AND
ANY UNKNOWN ALLEGED FATHERS

SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION & NOTICE OF CHILD IN NEED OF SERVICES HEARING

TO: Rueben Perez and Any Unknown Alleged Father Whereabouts unknown

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the above noted parent whose whereabouts are unknown, as well as Any Unknown Alleged Fathers, whose whereabouts are also unknown, that the Indiana Department of Child Services has filed its Verified Petition Alleging the child to be in Need of Services, in accordance with I.C. 31-34-9-3, and that an adjudication hearing has been scheduled with the Court.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court, 300 East Main Street, Madison, IN 47250-3537 - 812-265-8930 for a(n) Initial/Fact Finding Hearing on 6/6/2024 at 11:00 AM.

At said hearing, the Court will consider the Petition and evidence thereon and will render its decision as to whether the above named minor child is child in need of services and shall enter adjudication accordingly. Your failure to appear after lawful notice will be deemed as your default and waiver to be present at said hearing.

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YOU MUST RESPOND by appearing in person or by an attorney within thirty (30) days after the last publication of this notice, and in the event you fail to do so, an adjudication on said petition, judgment by default may be entered against you, or the court may proceed in your absence, without further notice.

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Carroll's Hensley signs with Kaskaskia

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Kaskaskia College, located in Centralia, Illinois, competes in the Great Rivers Athletic Conference (GRAC) that also includes Wabash Valley College, Southwestern Illinois, John A. Logan College, Olney Central College, Rend Lake College, Lincoln Trail College and Shawnee Community College.

The Blue Angels did not compete in 2023-24 after their former coach resigned shortly before the season but the team was 17-14 overall and 7-7 in the GRAC in 2022-23. The team will resume play in 2024-25 under new head coach Perry Michael, who was hired in February to take over the program.

Michael, a graduate of Indiana State, is a former assistant women's basketball coach at the University of Alaska Fairbanks and Olney Central College, and an assistant men's basketball coach at Indiana University Kokomo.

Kaskaskia, a two-year college, has served as a player feeder for four-year programs with top Blue Angels players signing with the University of Charleston, West Virginia; Lemoyne-Owen College and Shorter University in recent years.

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FIRST TEAM

Name, School	Cl.	Pos.	Key Stats
Juliana Davis, Madison	So.	G	18.8 ppg, 5.1 rpg
Addison Edmondson, Trimble Co.	Sr.	G	15.0 ppg, 5.5 rpg
Ashley Fulton, Southwestern	Sr.	G	12.8 ppg, 5.8 rpg
Kaitlyn Hensley, Carroll Co.	Sr.	G	16.0 ppg, 5.3 rpg
Allison Knoebel, Shawe	Jr.	G	18.4 ppg

SECOND TEAM

Name, School	Cl.	Pos.	Key Stats
Halle Archer, Switzerland Co.	Sr.	G	9.8 ppg
Courtney Higgins, Switzerland Co.	Sr.	G	10.8 ppg
Chloey Leach, Southwestern	Jr.	F	8.4 ppg, 5.4 rpg
Mylee McQueary, Madison	So.	F	9.8 ppg, 4.7 rpg
Ava Turner, Shawe	Jr.	F	9.6 ppg

Player of the Year
Juliana Davis, Madison

Freshman of the Year
Baleigh McAfee, Southwestern

Coach of the Year
Brian Crank, Southwestern

CRANK

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coaxed a winning record out Switzerland County at 13-12.

But Southwestern's situation was somewhat different. Other than seniors Ashley Fulton and Riley Scroggins, the Rebels had little experience and it showed through the first two months of the season. But Southwestern righted its ship at the right time.

Fulton lived up to her role of team leader to earn All-Courierarea First Team honors after averaging 12.8 points and 5.8 rebounds per game. Junior Chloey Leach overcame early injuries to earn Second Team honors and Baleigh McAfee is the Freshman of the Year.

Joining Fulton and Madison Courier Player of the Year Juliana Davis of Madison on the First Team is Shawe junior Allison Knoebel, who did her best to keep the Hilltoppers competitive and averaged 18.4 ppg. Trimble County's Addison Edmondson averaged 15.0 ppg and Carroll County's Kaitlyn Hensley averaged 16.0 as the two seniors wrapped up their careers as 1,000-point scorers to round out the First Team.

Madison sophomore Mylee McQueary, Shawe's Ava Turner and Switzerland County's Halle Archer and Courtney Higgins also earned Second Team honors.

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Sycamores beat Utah to reach NIT title game

INDIANAPOLIS — Ryan Conwell matched his career high with 27 points and Robbie Avila had 26 points and 10 rebounds to help top-seeded Indiana State take advantage of a heavily partisan home-state crowd to beat second-seeded Utah 100-90 on Tuesday night and advance to the NIT championship game.

Isaiah Swope added 15 points — all in the second half — and eight assists for Indiana State (32-6), which reached its first national tourney title game since Larry Bird took the unbeaten Sycamores to the 1979 NCAA title game against Magic Johnson and Michigan State.

A win Thursday in Indianapolis against top-seeded Seton Hall (24-12) would allow the Sycamores to tie the 1978-79 team's single-season school record for victories.

Deivon Smith had a career high 28 points, seven rebounds and six assists to lead the Utes (22-15), the last Pac-12 men's team still playing in the league's farewell season. Branden Carlson scored 17. Utah made 17 3-pointers, with Smith going 6 of 6.

It certainly wasn't easy for Indiana State to take control. But once it did, turning a 10-2 run midway through the second half into a 63-56 lead, the Sycamores never trailed again and extended the margin to as much as 15.

Avila got it all started, scoring 11 points in the first eight minutes to help Indiana State build a 28-17 lead. But Smith led Utah back and helped the Utes take a 34-33 lead late in the first half. Then it became a back-and-forth contest until Indiana State's decisive second-half push.

Seton Hall advances to NIT championship 84-67

INDIANAPOLIS — Al-Amir Dawes scored 20 points, Dre Davis had 19 points and nine rebounds in a return to his hometown, and No. 1 seed Seton Hall routed fourth-seeded Georgia 84-67 on Tuesday night to advance to the NIT championship game for the first time since winning it in 1953.

Seton Hall (24-12) will battle Indiana State (32-6) on Thursday in front of the Sycamores' home-state crowd.

Kadary Richmond added 15 points, nine rebounds, six assists and three steals for Seton Hall. Jaden Bediako had 14 points and seven boards, and Jaquan Sanders scored 11.

Silas Demary Jr. finished with 19 points, four assists and two blocks for the Bulldogs (20-17). Noah Thomasson added 10 points and RJ Melendez had nine.

Seton Hall started the game on an 18-3 run and led by at least nine points the rest of the way. Seton Hall's largest lead reached 24, 62-38, with 13:22 left in the second half.

Seton Hall, which has won four straight games against SEC opponents, is playing in the month of April for the first time since its NCAA national championship game appearance against Michigan in 1989.

Ex-Louisville coach Mack to replace Kelsey at Charleston

CHARLESTON, S.C. — College of Charleston has hired former Louisville coach Chris Mack as its men's coach after its last coach in Pat Kelsey left to take the Cardinals job last week.

Athletic director Matt Roberts said Tuesday that Mack agreed to a five-year contract to take over the program.

Mack will receive $1.1 million per year through the 2028-29 season. He is also eligible for a range of performance bonus, from $150,000 for winning the NCAA Tournament to $5,000 for an NIT appearance.

Should Mack leave his position in the first two seasons, he would owe the school $1.5 million. That figure decreases to $1 million in his third season and $750,000 in his fourth season. He would owe nothing if he departs in his final season.

The school would owe Mack 100% of what remains on the deal should it dismiss him.

Mack also earned a $35,000 signing bonus, earmarked in the contract for moving expenses and temporary lodging.

Mack made the NCAA Tournament nine times in 12 full seasons as coach at Xavier and Louisville. Mack's time with the Cardinals ended in January 2022 when he was dismissed with the team at 6-8. Mack had been suspended the first six games of the season by Louisville, which said he violated school guidelines in his firing of one-time Cardinals assistant coach Dino Gaudio.

Mack has not coached since then.

"I can't tell you how excited I am to be the next men's basketball head coach at the College of Charleston," Mack said in a statement. "I'm more motivated than any coach in the country, and Cougar Nation is going to get my absolute best."

The Cougars went to the past two NCAA Tournaments as Coastal Athletic Association Tournament champions under Kelsey. They fell in the opening round to Final Four bound Alabama, 109-96.

Kelsey, on social media, called it a "great day for the College of Charleston as a new era arrives." Kelsey said he and Mack are lifelong friends, "and I know the city will absolutely love him. He is a phenomenal basketball coach and a connector."

Roberts said school leaders wanted someone who was a proven winner who shared the vision of championship basketball. "Chris Mack will undoubtedly continue the high level of success that our students, alumni, donors and community deserve," he said.

Mack and Louisville were No. 1 for two weeks during the 2019-20 season, finishing 24-7 and 15-5 in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

At Xavier, Mack's teams reached four Sweet 16s and made an Elite Eight appearance in 2017.

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5 WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	Password		The Voice "The Battles Part 3"				Dateline NBC		News
8 WISH	12		News	FamFe..	✯★★★ 13 Going on 30 ('04)					Animals	News	Sports	News
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	Fun Videos (N)		American Idol (N)				What Would		News
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AMC	29	26	(5:45) ✯★★★ The Avengers ('12) (P)						Parish (N)		Parish		Movie
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ESPN	32	44	Countdown (N)		Baseball Houston Astros at Texas Rangers (N) (Live)						NHL Hockey		
FREE	18	40	(5:00) ✯★★ Aladdin ('19)				(:05) ✯★★ Ghostbusters: Afterlife ('21) (P)						Movie
FX	40	28	(5:00) ✯ Shang-Chi & the Legend of...				✯★★ Doctor Strange in the Multiverse of Madness						Movie
HBO	201	17	Enthus..	Jerrod..	✯★★★ Black Swan ('10)				The Regime		Enthusiasm (F)		LastW..
MAX	270	73	(:15) ✯★★ Wonderland ('03)				✯★★★ Green Room ('15)			(:35) ✯ Straight Outta Compton			
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SHOW	221	16	(5:15) ✯ Rambo III		Gentleman		Gentleman (N)		✯★★★★★ The Godfather ('72)				
TMC	233	74	✯★★ The Yards Mark Wahlberg.				✯★★★ The Terminal ('04)				(:10) ✯ Showing Up ('22)		
TNT	27	43	(4:30) ✯ Doctor S...		✯★★★ Avengers: Infinity War ('18)						(:15) ✯★★ Tomb Raider		
USA	26	33	Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-S..

MONDAY EVENING

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11 WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	American Idol (N)				Interrog. (N)		News
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A&E	28	36	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		First48
AMC	29	26	(4:00) ✯ A Few G...		✯★★★ The Green Mile ('99) David Morse, Tom Hanks.								Movie
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ESPN	32	44	SportCtr (N)		College GameDay (N) (Live)				✯ 26.2 to Life ('22) (N)				SportC..
FREE	18	40	(5:30) ✯★★ Ghostbusters: Afterlife ('21)					✯★★★ Free Guy ('21) Ryan Reynolds.					700Club
FX	40	28	(4:00) ✯ Father Stu		✯★★ The Karate Kid ('10) Jaden Smith.						✯★★ The Karate Kid		
HBO	201	17	(5:15) Al..	(:45) ✯★★★ Dawn of the Planet of the Apes					Synanon (N)		The Regime		Synan..
MAX	270	73	Movie	(:35) ✯ My Boss's Daughter			✯★★★ White Men Can't Jump				(:55) ✯★★ Bandits ('01)		
NEWSNTN	20	20	The Hill (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	✯★★★★★ Titanic ('97) Kate Winslet, Leonardo DiCaprio.						
SHOW	221	16	Movie	(:25) ✯★★★ Talk to Me			Star Trek (N)		Star Trek (N)		✯★★ Life ('17)		
TMC	233	74	(:05) ✯ Resistance: 1942 ('21)				✯★★★ Cold in July ('14)				✯ Run With the Hunted		
TNT	27	43	(3:55) ✯ Avenger...		Championship Central (N) (Live)				NCAA Men's Championship: Teams TBA				
USA	26	33	9-1-1		9-1-1		WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (Live)						McBee

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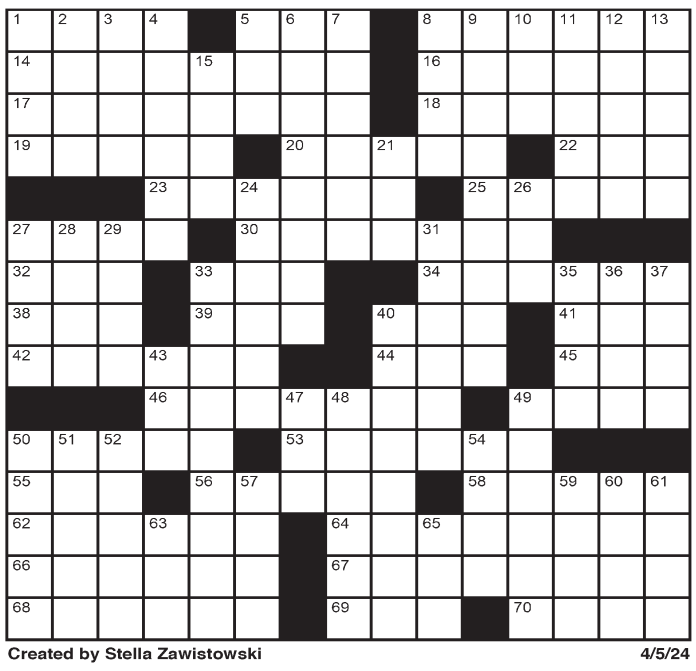
ACROSS
1 Mix with a spoon
5 "Woof!"
8 Help out
14 Angry letters: 2 wds.
16 Religion of Japan
17 "Mambo __"
18 Arranged in groups
19 Michael of Monty Python
20 Money for research
22 __ Speedwagon
23 Improved, as writing
25 Uses an axe
27 Baby cow
30 Eminent
32 Rock with minerals
33 Big __
34 Revlon competitor
38 Big body of water
39 Wide street: Abbr.
40 Tampa player, for short
41 "__ being rude?"
42 Mass of hair
44 "A mouse!"
45 Fish eggs
46 Mariachi shakers
49 Signs, slangily
50 Watch secretly: 2 wds.
53 Adolescents
55 Cutesy add-on
56 Colgate competitor
58 Sunups
62 Timmy's pup pal on TV
64 Coffee-flavored liqueur: 2 wds.
66 Feeling sore
67 Egyptians, e.g.
68 Objects
69 Whiskey grain
70 Relaxing resorts

DOWN
1 Marine vessel
2 "Ciao!"
3 Tilted type: Abbr.
4 Comforting feeling
5 Slim battery size
6 Cellphone sound
7 Bit of broccoli
8 Society: Abbr.
9 NBA timekeeper: 2 wds.
10 Military address
11 Emcee's words
12 Hard to climb
13 Big fusses
15 Resent
21 Oral health org.
24 "The very idea!": 2 wds.
26 Pronoun for a boat
27 Price
28 Region
29 Low in fat
31 "The __ Eye" (Toni Morrison novel)
33 Holding a steady position
35 Merit
36 Run __ (go wild)
37 Untruths
40 Make prettier
43 "Frankenfood" abbr.
47 Nautical "yes"
48 Fellow headliner
49 Novelist Susan
50 Water balloon sound
51 Cook gently in water
52 "Super Mario World" dinosaur
54 Type of TV cable
57 Rules: Abbr.
59 Tube-shaped sandwich
60 Singer Simone
61 Be disrespectful to
63 Religious no-no
65 "You __ too much!"



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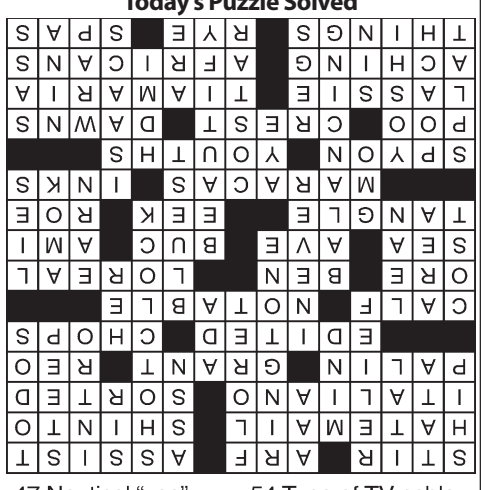

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ACROSS
1 Spaghetti, for example
6 Cries loudly
10 __ Parker ("South Park" co-creator)
14 Stage performer
15 Cedar or cypress
16 Make do
17 Walk proudly
18 Enjoy a book
19 Catholic church service
20 Wedding cake layers
21 Wedding location
23 Turn down, as lights
24 All tied up
25 Nickname for a sibling
26 Snuggle
28 Garments like shirts and pants
31 "Rocketman" star Egerton
32 Kitten's sound
33 __ "Magic" Johnson
35 Break the rules
37 Move like a snake
38 Ricky Martin's group, once
39 Ingest
40 Sail supports
41 Race with three components
47 Colored eye parts
49 Promotional spots
50 German article
51 City map lines: Abbr.
52 Ancient prophetess
54 "Set Fire to the Rain" singer
55 Location
57 Valentine's Day flower
58 Legally sound
59 Cabinet dept. since 1977
60 Lyft alternative
61 Take __ day at a time: 2 wds.
62 Team in a game
63 Knee protectors
64 Used needle and thread

DOWN
1 Glues
2 Physically energetic
3 Oscar winner Meryl
4 Contests with brackets
5 Creative pursuits
6 Narrow waterway
7 Words that end a threat: 2 wds.
8 Thrash
9 Camry, e.g.
10 Film buff's channel
11 Vacation with driving: 2 wds.
12 Greek E
13 Guys who suck up: 2 wds.
22 Fall back in battle
25 Cut, as wood
27 Mailer before a wedding invitation: 3 wds.
29 Picture puzzles
30 "Wait one __!"
34 Locales
35 Opposed
36 Tract for building
38 "Dirty" cocktail
40 Longs for
42 Bred
43 Do-nothing types
44 Hide: 2 wds.
45 Connected to the Internet
46 Had to have
48 Pancake topping
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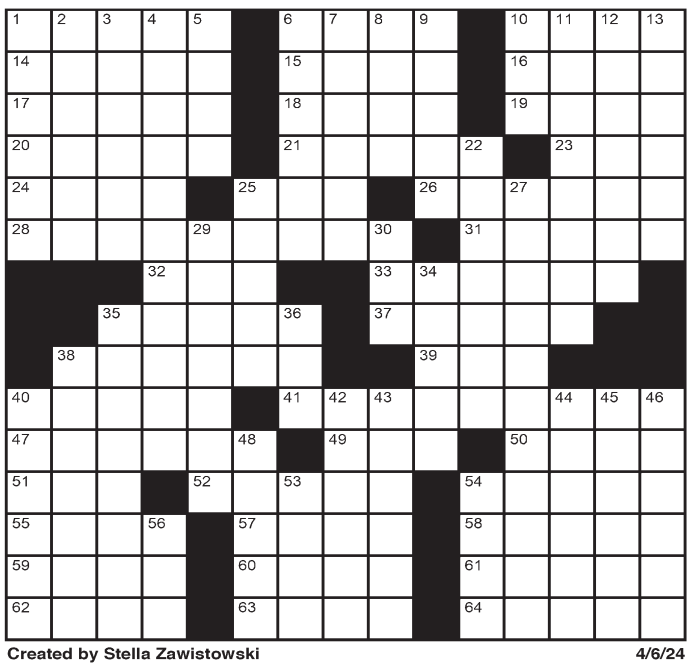
54 Rental car brand
56 Before, in poems



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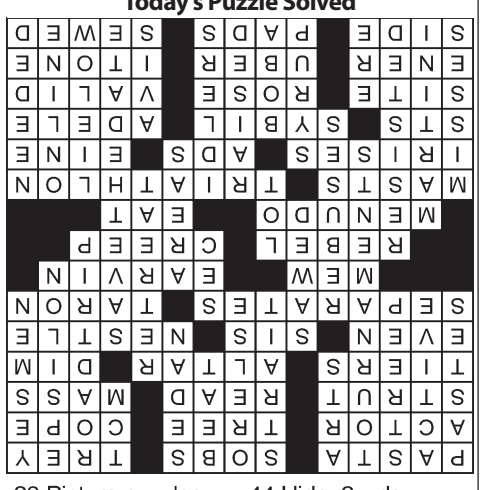

Retired man wants to smell, not plant, roses

AMY **DICKINSON** ASK AMY

Dear Amy: I retired from a very stressful job three years ago. I usually worked 50 to 60 hours a week.

My wife was able to quit work about 25 years ago, staying home to finish raising our son.

She is amazing, and though we have been able to afford outside help, she took care of the house and cooked most of our meals. We shared yard work about 50/50, but she ended up doing more because gardening became an almost full-time hobby for her — she is a master gardener.

When we had water leaks in the house, she learned how to repair and redo a lot of damaged sheetrock.

She took care of the family bills and almost everything that needed doing in our life. She did not seem stressed, but I know she worked hard.

Since retirement, I have picked up a few duties around the house, but my wife probably still does about 60 percent inside and 75 percent outside.

We both have hobbies and friends. I have suggested we downsize from our rather large house and large yard, but she does not want to. I suggested hiring cleaning help years ago (even before I retired), but she does not want that.

She does not complain often about my limited contributions, but when she does, she cannot understand why I don't find yard work as fulfilling as she does.

I am not bitter at all about our arrangement, but now I want to enjoy my retirement.

We're in our late 60s and have the time and energy now to enjoy our life. If I want to avoid working around the house 25 to 30 hours a week, am I in the wrong?

Again, she won't accept outside help or downsizing, both of which I am for.

— Probably Lazy

Dear Probably Lazy: This phase of your life is called "retirement," and if you want to spend less time planting the roses and more time smelling them, you should! Your wife should also spend this phase of life doing what she wants to do.

For gardeners, time spent in the garden is "… like a beach" (to paraphrase Emily Dickinson). What looks like work to you might be a great joy for her. You and your wife should have a sit-down meeting where you mutually agree to assess where you are and discuss where you are headed. This should be the first in many conversations about your future.

You left your office when you retired, but when your life's work is maintaining a household and garden, you are always surrounded by a never-ending chore list.

Many house-proud people resist outside help. Would she be willing to hire someone to handle the mowing (or house cleaning) for a month to see how it goes?

Marrying couple seeks serving help

AMY **DICKINSON** ASK AMY

Dear Amy: 'Tis the season for wedding advice, I guess.

My partner and I are planning a very small affair on a low budget.

We recently recruited my future mother-in-law to help with last-minute planning (we were doing it all ourselves).

The caterer is delivering dinner to our venue in the form of buffet-style trays.

My plan was to have everyone serve themselves.

My fiancé's mother, citing concerns about COVID, strongly feels that we should have someone standing behind the food to serve people.

In principle, I agree with her concerns, as well as that of apportioning food fairly.

The problem is that we can't afford to hire staffing.

Our guest list is 25 people, with half of those being our immediate family.

A few loved ones have volunteered to help with whatever we need, but I don't want to assign anyone the task of feeding everyone else.

If I thought my future mother-in-law was wrong, I would simply tell her.

Instead, I see a good idea with no clear way to execute it.

What do you think we should do?

— Stressed by Stupid Little Details

Dear Stressed: I agree with your future mother-in-law that it is a good idea to have someone on the other side of the buffet line, helping to serve and perhaps removing the serving dishes and putting out the cake afterward.

I'm not sure how having help fits into the concerns about COVID, but overall, having one extra pair of hands would be extremely useful.

Furthermore, you could probably hire a helper for two hours for $50.

Your caterer might have recommendations, and if you receive a reasonable quote, perhaps your mother-in-law would help pay for this.

It sounds as if you have a helpful and hands-on family and friend group. You could also accept their help — perhaps in shifts. This is a communal celebration meal, and for many people, helping to serve would be an honor.

My last suggestion might seem odd, but perhaps you and your new spouse should serve your guests, yourselves.

This might be a nice symbolic gesture, where the first "official" act of your life together as a married couple would be to serve those people who have gathered to celebrate your marriage.

I hope you will be able to relax, laugh and genuinely feel joyful during your wedding and reception.

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ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Loyalty is something that must be chosen every day, even when temptations beckon. Don't be sidetracked by business aspirations or passing infatuations because you may miss out on something more important.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Something shiny, new, and different could attract your attention; you may be trying to escape dull routines and need a happy diversion. Build in some time to dream; developing creative ideas could be deeply fulfilling.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Wait for clarity before trying to communicate something important. You may want to run a tight ship, but there could be obstacles to contend with before everything in the immediate vicinity is truly well sorted.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — A friendly attitude can help encourage others to support your goals. Focus on group activities and networking for the best results. No matter what you undertake, anytime, anywhere… make a commitment to do your best.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If you are feeling more fear than the situation realistically warrants, it could be an old fear getting triggered by the current moment. Getting triggered is just a finger pointing to needed self-work for healing. Invest in yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't bother trying to convince someone whose mind is made up; it's a waste of energy and can only foster further misunderstanding. Ignore a temptation to engage and just walk away or close out the app.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Some people relish a dirty fight, but unless that is you, it's better not to play those kinds of games. Leave other adults to their own devices and their own consequences. Everyone is in their exact right place to learn.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Every choice you make takes you one step closer or one step further from your best life. What do you want; how hard are you willing to work to get it? Look reality in the eye and take responsibility for your trajectory.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Maintaining focus combined with consistent and unrelenting efforts is most of the recipe for success in anything. Add in right timing, and you're almost there. Want a lot out of something? Put a lot in.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You know what you're doing and may know exactly how to affect needed improvements. Don't just be glad for the opportunity, demonstrate your chops. Stand up, step up, and let them know you're ready.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Keep things clean and aboveboard and there won't be any fear or any question. The more prepared you can be, the less nervousness you'll feel and more you can shine and slay. Get your files and folders organized.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Slow down in the face of obstacles so you can read the telltales of what is really going on. Check in with yourself to see if you are looking for an excuse, or if the situation really merits a waiting period.

ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — People can't learn as much from success as from failure, which is why small failures can be steppingstones to big wins. Every winner has failed many times, but only some people learn. Try to make all your mistakes NEW ones.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — It may be time to rediscover your passions instead of feeling trapped in mediocrity. Take a risk, look in new directions at the world all around you. Instead of always playing their game, consider inventing your own.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Sometimes an appetite for change can lead a person away from what really serves them best. Ask yourself if there is really a need for change or if it's just the urge for something new and different, and choose accordingly.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Talk to a friend or romantic partner about what they expect from the relationship. If your hopes or expectations dramatically differ, it's important for you both to know that to avoid hurt feelings or a broken heart.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — When people haven't worked out old hurts, their reactivity can create problems that can be hard to resolve. Those who do enough self-work can get free of the self-sabotage cycle and make constructive choices in real time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Is it love, is it lust, or is it just trying to fill an emptiness? In any situation, romantic or otherwise, ask yourself what is really going on. Retract any projections and do your best to see people and things as they really are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Family members may have issues with a decision, a friend, or a potential partner. Before reacting, try considering their perspective. Are they seeing something you can't see, or are they just being overprotective?

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Nostalgia for the past is unlikely to change anything; time only moves forward. If new things are uncomfortable, spend more time with them to build a new comfort zone. Adaptation is easier than being dragged.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Fundamental inner or outer changes will change how you see things and how they feel. Growth is for the brave; you may need courage to tackle new challenges. Time can allow you to create the right new beginnings.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You might get money management advice from people who assume you already have lots to play with. Look for advice that fits your current situation and goals, not where you'll be in x number of years.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Keep your attention centered on the things that really need it now. If you need a break or a little entertainment, give it to yourself, then resume work. Small problems can get seriously bigger with just a little inattention.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — You may feel as though you're in the middle of your own private war zone. Remember that you or the other person can choose at any time to stop escalating. Let go of aggression and try to find peace within.

Ex-Colts player Davis found dead in home

SOUTHWEST RANCHES, Fla. — Former Miami Dolphins and Indianapolis Colts cornerback Vontae Davis was found dead in his South Florida home on Monday, but police say no foul play is suspected.

Police in the Fort Lauderdale suburb of Davie said they responded to a medical emergency at Davis' home Monday morning, but the 35-year-old was dead when officers arrived. No cause of death has been released pending autopsy results. Police said in a statement that the investigation is still active.

Davis played for 10 seasons in the NFL after being drafted 25th overall by the Dolphins in 2009 out of Illinois.

"We are heartbroken by the sudden passing of former Dolphins CB Vontae Davis and extend our deepest condolences to his family & loved ones during this difficult time," the Dolphins wrote in a statement on social media.

Davis played three seasons for Miami before being traded to Indianapolis just before the 2012 season. He played six seasons with the Colts. Team owner Jim Irsay offered his prayers to Davis' family in a statement and shared a photo of Davis in a Colts jersey on social media.

"Extremely saddened to hear of the passing of Vontae Davis. A great guy, teammate, player," Irsay wrote.

The Colts also issued a statement saying they were devastated to hear of Davis' death.

"He was a standout player in his six seasons with the Horseshoe, but he was an even better teammate who carried a smile and positive energy every day," the team said.

The Washington, D.C., native signed with the Buffalo Bills for 2018 but left the team at halftime of the season's second game. He released a statement announcing his retirement after the game, saying that after multiple injuries and surgeries, "Reality hit me fast and hard: I shouldn't be out there anymore."

The Bills said they were saddened to learn of Davis' death and that they were "thinking of his friends, family, and loved ones during this difficult time."

Davis played in 121 games, intercepting 22 passes and returning one for a touchdown. He was selected for the Pro Bowl in 2014 and 2015 while a member of Indianapolis.

Reds weather rain delay to beat Phillies

PHILADELPHIA — Christian Encarnacion-Strand and Elly De La Cruz had RBI doubles, Frankie Montas pitched 5 2/3 innings and the Cincinnati Reds beat the Philadelphia Phillies 4-1 on Wednesday night after a long rain delay.

The game was originally scheduled for the afternoon, but the start was pushed back three hours because of heavy rain in the forecast. Then the teams waited out an additional delay of 3 hours, 55-minutes — the second-longest stoppage in the 20-year history of Citizens Bank Park.

"It was not great conditions, but I was really happy with how our team stayed ready," Reds manager David Bell said. "Every hour that passed, they did a good job of staying ready and came out and played a really good game.

"Our pitching was outstanding. Just great stuff all night. Obviously starting with Frankie, but then the bullpen came in and they had great stuff too and finished it off against a really good team."

Montas (2-0) allowed one run on five hits. Alexis Diaz pitched the ninth for his first save.

"I'm the type of guy who, until they call the game, I stay locked in," Montas said. "I was just getting ahead in the count. I feel like I've done a really good job of that. I'm trying to get outs in three pitches or less. That's my main focus and not trying to strike everybody out. The quicker I get outs, the longer I can stay in the game."

Cincinnati had six hits — five for extra bases. Encarnacion-Strand plated two runs with a double off Philadelphia starter Zack Wheeler in the third inning, and Jake Fraley and De La Cruz hit back-to-back doubles off Wheeler in the sixth inning to score the third run. Nick Martini added an RBI single in the ninth.

Wheeler (0-1) allowed three runs, one earned, on three hits in six innings. He had 10 strikeouts, marking the 22nd time in his career that he struck out at least 10.

Kyle Schwarber hit a solo home run on a first pitch four-seamer from Montas in the sixth inning for the Phillies. He extended his hitting streak to five games with his second homer of the year.

"We're a better offensive club than we're showing, obviously, and it'll come," Phillies manager Rob Thomson said. "I have all the confidence in the world. But we're off to a little bit of a slow start. Tough hitting tonight, tough conditions, but no excuses."

REDS 6, PHILLIES 3 (MONDAY)

PHILADELPHIA — Spencer Steer hit a grand slam in the 10th inning to lift the Cincinnati Reds to a 6-3 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on Monday night.

Steer clubbed a 2-1, 91 mph fastball off Connor Brogdon (0-1).

With pinch-runner Bubba Thompson starting the 10th on second base, Brogdon walked Will Benson and Jonathan India. He started Steer with two balls before a called strike made the count 2-1. Steer lined the next pitch over the wall in left-center field.

Philadelphia starter Cristopher Sánchez retired 11 straight Reds, striking out eight of them, before a walk to India and double by Steer to lead off the sixth ended the lefty's night. India and Steer scored on RBI singles by Christian Encarnacion-Strand and Jeimer Candelario that tied it at 2.

Bohm's two-run double off the end of the bat in the first gave the Phillies a 2-0 lead.

Alexis Diaz (1-1) got the win for the Reds.

PHILLIES 9, REDS 4 (TUESDAY)

PHILADELPHIA — Bryce Harper homered for his first three hits of the season, including a grand slam, and the Philadelphia Phillies beat the Cincinnati Reds 9-4 on Tuesday night.

Brandon Marsh also connected for Philadelphia, which bounced back nicely after dropping the series opener on Monday. Spencer Turnbull struck out seven in five effective innings.

Harper went 0 for 11 with a walk while playing in three of the Phillies' first four games, but he broke out in a big way against the Reds.

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